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Lose 7 pounds this week on the amazing Kiss & Cuddle Diet!

— just watch the holiday flab melt away!

By SAMANTHA DENNY, Weekly World News

You can lop seven pounds off a flabby frame this week with the sensational Kiss and Cuddle Diet that's taking Britain by storm!

The fabulous four-day plan provides for up to four delicious meals a day, and you don't even have to cut out booze to reap the fat-slashing benefits.

Better yet, the most strenuous exercise involved is kissing, cuddling — and making love! Launch your diet on a Friday and continue over a long weekend, until Monday, to guarantee your seven-pound loss.

This super-simple guide will get you on your way.

- Spend as much time as possible in bed! While there, indulge in any activity that will help keep your mind off food.
- Watch TV programs that boost your metabolism. Dramas, thrillers and game shows are best.
- Don't give in to family blackmail at mealtimes. Let the kids dish up their own food so you won't be tempted to indulge.
- Experiment with body awareness. Deck yourself out in a skimpy nightgown, frilly undies or nothing at all. If you must leave the house, wear the sexiest outfit you have.
- Stock up with plenty of good reading material. Top the list with sexy novels and fashion catalogs.
- Persuade a loved one to go on the diet with you.
- If possible, slip into last summer's bathing suit to find out exactly where you stand in your personal battle with the bulge.
- Make love at least once a day to accelerate the fat-burning process.
- Massage your mate with a scented oil and make him or her return the favor. Then try to see if you can break the record for the world's longest kiss.
- Weigh in twice, when you start, and after you finish. Don't run the risk of getting discouraged by stepping on the scales more than that.

Naturally, you should consult a doctor before embarking on this or any other diet.

HAPPY AND FIT. Plenty of lovin' can keep you in great shape.

Here's your weekend plan:

FRIDAY (850 calories)

Breakfast: ½ grapefruit or small glass unsweetened fruit juice, 1 slice toast, 2 cups black coffee or tea with lemon, low-cal sweetener, if desired.

Lunch: Hard-boiled egg, large mixed salad with lemon juice dressing.

Dinner: As much white fish or shellfish as you like, steamed or baked, and served with lemon juice. Green beans, cauliflower, braised celery, 1 tomato, 2 glasses dry white wine or a beer.

SATURDAY (600 calories)

Breakfast: Scoop the meat from ½ large melon and mix with 6 slivings or 2 melon half, 1 slice whole wheat toast, low-fat margarine and 1 teaspoon honey. Mix 1 glass sparkling dry white wine with 3 tablespoons unsweetened orange juice for a spritzer.

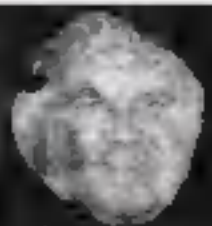
Dinner: Tomato soup. Blend small can tomatoes, 1 cup water, juice of half a lemon, chopped garlic, herbs. Two slices cold chicken, bean sprouts, tomato, green beans, 1 orange, 1 apricot.

SUNDAY (500 calories)

Read the paper in bed until noon. Sip black coffee or tea with lemon until lunchtime. Nibble raw carrot or celery if you want.

Lunch: 2 slices roast chicken or

STAR CHIPS. Nadine Lumbard remembers how thrilling it was to find Marilyn Monroe and Elvis in a bag of potato chips. They are among the six she keeps in her personal Potato Chip Hall of Fame, right.



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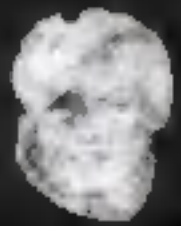

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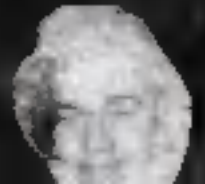

By MIKE FOSTER
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WOMAN COLLECTS POTATO CHIPS THAT LOOK LIKE CELEBRITIES!

CHICAGO — Nadine Lumbard owns the world's biggest potato-chip collection. She has a stash of more than 4,000 chips — and each one looks like a famous person!

Mrs. Lumbard's celebrity lookalike chips include dead singers the ladies posed recently, Jay Leno, right-wing broadcaster Rush Limbaugh, chipmunk-cheeked newswoman Katie Couric, baseball great Joe DiMaggio and many more, living and dead, in entertainment, politics, sports and a variety of other fields.

The potato-chip fanatic even has every U.S. President except James Madison!

"Other people collect autographs or dolls. I collect potato chips," says the 58-year-old homemaker and mother of three.

Mrs. Lumbard keeps her collection in vacuum-sealed plastic containers in a special refrigerated compartment designed to keep out moisture.

She says she got involved in the weird-sounding hobby back

"I realized that it looked eerily like Elvis Presley, down to the curling lip," she recalls.

Since then, Mrs. Lumbard has been painstakingly scrutinizing every chip in every bag of the snack food she buys.

She's helped out by her children, who are real "chips" off the old block.

"They know that if they come across a good chip to bring it to me," the avid collector says.

Her collection includes such diverse celebrities as the late Sen. Everett Dirksen, tennis great Ilie Nastase, football superstar Johnny Unitas, famed Communist Karl Marx, Elizabeth Taylor's former husband John Warner, actress Brooke Shields, and former New York City Mayor Ed Koch.

Her most prized possession is her Jesus chip, found last May by her 16-year-old daughter.

The only person she hasn't gotten to climb on the potato-chip bandwagon is her own husband.

"He just doesn't get it," she protests. "He'll look at my Princess Di and say, 'Looks more like Barbra Streisand to me.' And one time he broke the ultimate taboo.

"He ran out of snacks, so he dug into my collection and ate my best President Nixon!"

She said anyone could get starved in her body.

"If you pay attention you can

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beans, mushrooms in chicken stock.

Dinner: Large baked potato split and topped with 1 tablespoon cottage cheese, green salad, 1 glass dry or sparkling wine or spritzer.

MONDAY
(750 calories)

Breakfast: 2 medium eggs scrambled with 1 chopped tomato, 1 slice whole wheat bread or toast, 1 slice bacon, black coffee or tea with lemon.

Lunch: 1 apple, glass of water.

Mid-afternoon: Black coffee or tea with lemon.

Dinner: 2 fish sticks or 1 thick hamburger, 2 tablespoons boiled potato, grilled tomatoes,

Black widow bride murdered six husbands — & ATE THEM ALL!

By CLIFF LINEDECKER/Weekly World News

FRANKFURT, Germany — A black widow killer slaughtered six husbands — then chopped up the bodies and ate them, shocked cops say.

"She had the last husband with beer during Oktoberfest, and was already shopping around for her Christmas meal when we caught up with her," homicide investigator Werner Ryder said at a press conference.

"She's a cold-hearted woman."

The homicide cop said Gisela Kaschefer, 33, was able to avoid the attention of authorities for nearly four years while gorging herself on a series of unsuspecting husbands by preying on undocumented aliens, enticing Moroccans and Albanian refugees.

The petite temptress allegedly sweet-talked at least four of the men into tying the knot by convincing them they could obtain work permits or permanent residency documentation if they were married to a German citizen.

Ryder explained that the illegal residency status of the victims helped the killer cannibal cover up the crimes, because their associates were also reluctant to do anything that might bring them to the attention of authorities.

Consequently, it has been difficult for investigators to make a firm identification of the victims, although some nationalities were traced through marriage records.

"Except for the last husband, we can't even produce a piece of bone or tissue for DNA tests," said Ryder's partner Ernst Wilhelm.

"She ate the evidence!"

Ms. Kaschefer is believed to have functioned as a normal, loving bride for a few weeks after the nuptials while fattening up her husbands for the kill, according to the veteran homicide sleuth.

Then she waited until they fell asleep — sometimes after a frantical session of lovemaking, just like a black widow spider — and beat them to death with a nail-studded baseball bat.

Wilhelm quoted the killer as saying she learned to dress veal and wild boar while hunting with her father as a teenager. Then she used the same techniques to butcher her murder victims.

The audacious blonde reportedly acted out some of the killings during her video-recorded confession, and said she began the murder spree after she was jilted by a handsome Moroccan.

— & ATE THEM ALL!

Cannibal gal chewed on a toothpick during her arrest, say cops!

BUSTED! Police escort accused cannibal killer to jail to await trial on murder charges.

GOOD TO THE LAST BITE. Accused black widow killer Gisela Kaschefer allegedly murdered six husbands — and gobbled up the evidence.

The detectives said the accused serial slayer has been jailed without bond to await trial on two counts of first-degree murder. Additional charges may be filed later, they added.

"She's a cool customer, who calmly picked her teeth while we were placing her under arrest," Ryder shuddered.

"She showed us part of a thigh and a few rank bones from the latest victim that were still in the icebox, and told us we were just in time — because she was sick of living off leftovers from Oktoberfest."

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Married couples really can . . .

FALL IN LOVE ALL OVER AGAIN!

By JUNE SAWYER/Weekly World News

BOCA RATON, Fla. — The honeymoon may be over, but you can rekindle the love in your marriage by following four simple tips from America's most successful marriage counselor.

Here are psychologist Dr. Willard Harley's suggestions to help you fall in love all over again:

● Set the stage for love. Remind yourself over and over why you fell in love in the first place — because you met each other's deepest needs. Just reminding yourself of that powerful connection will make you feel closer to your mate.

● Make a list of the things you and your partner want most. The chances are good Dr. Harley says, that those needs have changed since you first met. Write down the needs you have now. Then sit down and share your lists.

● Pick the one need that's most important to each of you, and work out a trade-off. Your partner may need more affection while you may need a more frequent pat on the back. Each of you should go out of your way to meet the other's need and soon your new behavior patterns will feel perfectly natural.

● Spend 15 hours a week alone with your mate. And if you can't manage that much time alone, spend what you can — even in tiny chunks of 10 to 15 minutes. That time will provide "an instant reminder of why the two of you became friends and lovers in the first place," added psychologist Dr. Steve Brody.

Great Dane swallows Chihuahua — & the little guy survives!

MOSCOW — A teacup Chihuahua could be heard barking after a Great Dane swallowed it whole, and a vet cut it out of the dog's stomach — alive!

The Chihuahua jumped off the knee of the little girl who owned it. "Just the family Great Dane gulped it in the blink of an eye," said a police spokesman.

The horrified family rushed the Great Dane to the vet, but by the time they arrived the barking had stopped.

The dog was removed unconscious but recovered along with the Great Dane.

Maria Sheriff is a leggy lovely who hails from Southern California. The 34-24-36 cutie spends her days surfing and collecting sea shells at the beach!

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By the way, if you don't have a computer, almost any public library will allow you to use one to check the Internet without charge to check out these wonderful contests.

But be forewarned, you'll need to have an e-mail address to enter and win. And when you win, be sure to let us know, so we can share your good fortune with the rest of our Weekly World News family of readers.

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ALL SMILES! Lester Arney always wanted a big wife — and now the lucky ladies' man has two of them, Rhonda, left, and Hannah.

'I'm the luckiest guy in the world!'

Tubby playboy marries two tons of fun!

PERTH, Australia — Lester Arney really has his hands full when it comes to romance — he's married to two sisters whose combined weight totals a scale-shattering 475 pounds!

Hale-pale Rhonda and lady Hannah Arney are even bigger than the comparatively svelte 316-pound Lester, but he doesn't mind a bit.

"I'm married to two tons of fun and I couldn't be happier," declared Lester. "I'm the luckiest guy in the world!"

The oddball trio of exotic Aussies live together in a large house — and sleep in a custom-made, extra-king size bed that has a frame made of specially reinforced cast iron.

"What goes on in that bedroom is our business," quizzes jelly-bellied Rhonda, 26. "Let's just say there's a whole lot of snacks going on."

Lester, 31, met the wide-bodied siblings at a resort in Hawaii in July 1999. He was immediately impressed by the "curvier-living beauties' love of life.

"They both have a great sense of humor and they wouldn't let their size stop them from doing anything," he recalls.

"They'd get right up there with the hula dancers and shimmy their giant hips, they'd join in on tug-of-war contests. And when it came time to dig into the huge buffet meals, they didn't hold back either."

When they returned to Australia, he continued to keep in touch with the tubby twosome, squiring them around town to plays, dance clubs and all-you-can-eat dinners. But he found he was attracted to both women — and couldn't make up his mind which one he really wanted.

Finally, one night the three of them had a heart-to-heart talk about the dilemma and the spirited sisters stunned Lester with an extraordinary proposal.

"We told him that we had talked it over and we thought it would be quite all right if he married both of us," said 31-year-old Hannah, who weighs a whopping 240 pounds.

Rhonda, who tips the scales at 235 pounds, added: "We've been together for a long time and we've been through a lot. We've been through the ups and downs of relationships and we've been through the ups and downs of weight gain and loss.

"We've been through a lot together and we've been through a lot as sisters, so we thought it would be a great idea."

Lester, who is employed as a mechanic, was delighted with the unusual arrangement — but he knew he'd have to do some fast talking to get his parents to accept it.

"My mum and dad were a little bit shocked at first," he admitted. "But they've come around and they've accepted it. They've seen how happy I am and they've seen how happy the girls are and they've seen how much we love each other."

Lester's pals also had a little trouble getting used to the idea of their buddy having two wives, but they've come around, too.

"They've accepted it and they've come to realize that I'm happy and that's all that matters," he said.

Lester and his wives have also had to overcome the disapproving looks of strangers who gawk at them when they're out in public.

"Sometimes we get disgusted looks from people who gawk at us as we take romantic walks together on the beach, or letters from neighbors saying we're all going to burn in Hell, but we couldn't care less," Lester said. "We know that we belong together and that's all that matters."

Australian officials have still not decided whether to acknowledge the legality of the bizarre three-way marriage — and the international law to find a place where a man could legally marry two women. He told them Tibet was one of the few spots where it was allowed.

"Within a month, we hopped on a plane, flew over there, had the marriage certificates drawn up and were married by a monk," says Rhonda, who tips the scales at 235 pounds.

Since the wedding last August 3, they've been one big, happy family. The women have helped Lester build his successful jet-ski business and they both hope to start having children soon.

Arab sheikhs eat 'Dumbo' sandwiches!

SARLOBE, Kenya — Heartless poachers are cutting the ears off live elephants to satisfy rich Arabs who pay thousands of dollars to eat "Dumbo" sandwiches, wildlife officers report.

"It's outrageous. It's the newest delicacy in the Mideast among the desert sheikhs," said Sgt. Kristina Purkina.

"They call them 'Dumbo' sandwiches because only baby elephants are targeted for their tender ears," he said.

He explained: The poachers will chase down a baby elephant in a pickup truck. As the truck pulls alongside the animal, a poacher standing in the bed of the truck will slice off an ear with a machete fixed to a long pole.

Man hit by flying refrigerator!

HAMBURG, Germany — A man broke his left shoulder when he was hit by a flying refrigerator as he tried to cross the street.

Police determined the fridge had been

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Gal who gave birth to 48 human-alien infants charges . . .

ALIENS USED ME AS A HUMAN BABY MACHINE!

HER CHILDREN ARE GONE — BUT SHE CLINGS TO HER DOLL. Megan Lucker rocks this lifelike doll to substitute for the babies the extraterrestrial monsters stole from her.

SYDNEY, Australia — UFO abductee Megan Lucker claims she was held hostage aboard an extraterrestrial vessel for four years and forced to give birth to 48 human-alien hybrids!

"The aliens used me as a human brood sow," charges 28-year-old Megan, who first revealed the shocking details of her degrading ordeal on a Web site devoted to UFO research. "They held hundreds of us in enormous breeding labs' where we did nothing but mass-produce offspring."

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

For Megan, the nightmare began in May 2000 after she returned home to Perth with pleasant memories of a four-year stint in the Army, and married her high-school sweetheart. But when the two tried to have a baby they couldn't and Megan visited an obstetrician for help.

What she was told blew her away. "The doctor told me that my reproductive organs were 'burned out.' I had the uterus, ovaries and fallopian tubes of a 91-year-old woman," she said.

When Megan tried to use veteran benefits to get help from a fertility specialist, she got another shocker. There were no records of her having ever served in the military.

Puzzled, Megan consulted a hypnotherapist to help her sort out her memories — and that's when the confections of her bizarre alien abduction began to surface. She recalled being kidnapped by aliens.

"The results of a physical they gave me led them I'd be good breeding stock," Megan says.

She was whisked to a huge alien "motherships," hidden on the far side of the moon.

There her life became a dismal cycle of impregnation, gestation and birthing as she joined at least 400 other female prisoners in a space-based baby factory run by slightly built "grey-type" aliens.

"Our sole purpose was to produce as many hybrids as possible," Megan revealed. "We were impregnated and given fertility drugs, so we'd produce quadruplets every time."

The E.T.s also gave the women chemicals that accelerated fetal development, cutting pregnancy time down to just four months, she said. "This allowed us to give birth to three 'litters' a year."

During pregnancy the women were housed in tiny cubicles and permitted minimal movement.

"The aliens didn't want us 'wasting' any energy," said Megan. "We were like bees in a crop."

When the time came, the expectant mother was wheeled into a sterile "nursing chamber," where alien medical techs delivered the squirming, half-extraterrestrial, half-human quadruplets.

"My babies looked pretty human, except for their eyes, which were huge and black and whites," said Megan. "As soon as they came out, the aliens took them away."

The most traumatic part of the whole demeaning ordeal, Megan says, was having those beautiful starchildren callously ripped from her arms, never to be seen again.

"The aliens don't let human moms raise hybrids. They're all reared on the mothership," she said.

The aliens' master plan, Megan was told, is to colonize Earth using an army of hybrid "settlers."

Megan says after her body became useless to the E.T.s, she was implanted with false memories of army life and dumped off on Earth. But now that she knows the truth, she's speaking out.

"World leaders have to unite and stop this," said courageous Megan, who now hopes to adopt.

POTTY HORROR SHOW!

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Police are searching for a serial killer who kidnaps his victims right off the street, decapitates them — and leaves their heads perched on toilet seats in public rest rooms!

The heads of 13 victims — 11 women and two men — have been found since last October, but no torsos have been recovered, cops say.

"Everyone all over the city is terrified to use the bathrooms outside their homes because they are afraid they will stumble across something very horrifying," said a police detective.

"Three of those who die-

Judge asks rape victim for a date, say cops!

CAPETOWN, South Africa — The Judge in a rape trial is said to have been so entranced by the victim that he asked her to join him on a vacation.

According to court reports, the defendant in the case, Arthur Simon, hopes the allegation will lead to the overturning of his conviction. He was given two life sentences, plus 155 years for rape, burglary, attempted murder and other sexual offenses.

But Judge Arthur Kensington, 63, said he did not act improperly and was simply trying to help a woman in need.

Prosecutor Michael Steel testified that Judge Kensington had invited the victim and her attorney into his chambers after the trial.

Judge Kensington reportedly complimented her on her testimony and invited her to join his family for the holidays.

Steel said that when the woman called to make arrangements, Judge Kensington instead suggested that they meet alone for dinner. It is alleged that he referred to the meeting as "a date." The two did not meet, news reports said.

Judge Kensington's solicitor, Ted Herman, said his client's actions in support of the woman were "very decent and kind hearted."

Woman nearly 'Bobbitt's' boyfriend!

TORONTO — An Ontario woman with a butcher knife crept up on her sleeping boyfriend, 42, and sliced off his penis — almost.

Surgeons reattached the partially severed organ.

The woman was motivated by jealousy, say cops who withhold the couple's identities.

The attack is similar to one committed by Lorena Bobbitt in 1993 when she cut off the

LOCH

EDINBURGH Seabed — Scientists from seven countries captured the Loch Ness Monster December 1 — needing a net stronger than steel to hold it!

By DANIEL DEAN
Weekly World News

And they've provided the world's first clear photographs of the legendary animal exclusively to *Weekly World News*.

"In my judgement we've caught the last dinosaur on earth!" declared Dr. Hubert Bourges, the French zoologist leading the team that captured the monster. "This is it, the proof we've been looking for since Nessie was first sighted some 1,500 years ago. This is the smoking gun — the Loch Ness monster is real! And it's a he."

It's not yet known what the researchers plan to do with the 70-foot-long beast whose estimated weight of 20 tons rivals that of four full elephants. It's believed the creature will be released at the end of January after blood and tissue analysis.

"We'll electronically tag the animal for tracking," said Dr. Bourges. "The task before us now is to determine exactly what it is and establish its age. It's far too early to name or classify it — but my gut feeling tells me we've caught a dinosaur."

And it was captured twice, Dr. Bourges revealed.

"On November 1, we snared the animal in a specially constructed steel-mesh net — and he tore it to shreds.

"The 175-foot carbon fiber net that proved successful is actually three times stronger than steel."

The team baited the net with 3,000 pounds of bloody tuna fish and lowered it into the nearby loch. The snare was suspended using controllable air bags allowing it to be raised and lowered as necessary.

For days the bait remained untouched. But on December 4 Nessie struck — ripping into the net like a locomotive, as he had done the first time — only this time the net held.

The monster struggled furiously at first but has since been resting comfortably on the bottom of the loch. Because the creature is amphibious and can't breathe under water, engineers inflate the air bags and raise him to the surface every four hours.

Nessie is being fed some 2,000 pounds of fresh-caught fish a day.

The historic capture crowned a 5-year, $20-million expedition that was organized by Dr. Bourges and supported by scientists in the United States, France, Italy, Belgium, Russia, Sweden and Norway.

Not everyone is so excited about the capture of the Loch Ness monster as Dr. Bourges and his team. Dr. Boris Nikhaly, a physicist in Russia's all-but-defunct space program, grumbled, "We lack the money to keep our space station aloft. Our submarines sink, and we lack resources to bring up our trapped men alive — but we can bring up the Loch Ness monster. This is a waste of precious rubles."

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Mummy had heart transplant 3,200 years ago

— AND IT WORKED!

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

CAIRO — Researchers using high-tech scans to probe the insides of a 3,200-year-old mummy were stunned to discover that the dead man had undergone a successful heart transplant!

What's more, the remains were not those of a pharaoh but of a low-ranking official, suggesting that the sophisticated modern procedure may have been fairly commonplace in ancient Egypt.

"This discovery sets the history of medicine on its ear," declared British archaeologist Dr. David Summerwell.

"The ancient Egyptians were transplanting human hearts thousands of years before we first learning to [illegible] accomplish the [illegible]

The [illegible] that [illegible] four [illegible] ago in a tomb [illegible]

> 'This discovery sets the history of medicine on its ear', says expert

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The [illegible]

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"Instead we found two hearts. It was baffling. One heart was large and in place to pump blood through the body — the other was small, shriveled and had been situated aside at [illegible]

"At first we considered the [illegible] that the man was [illegible] [illegible] that a [illegible] [illegible]

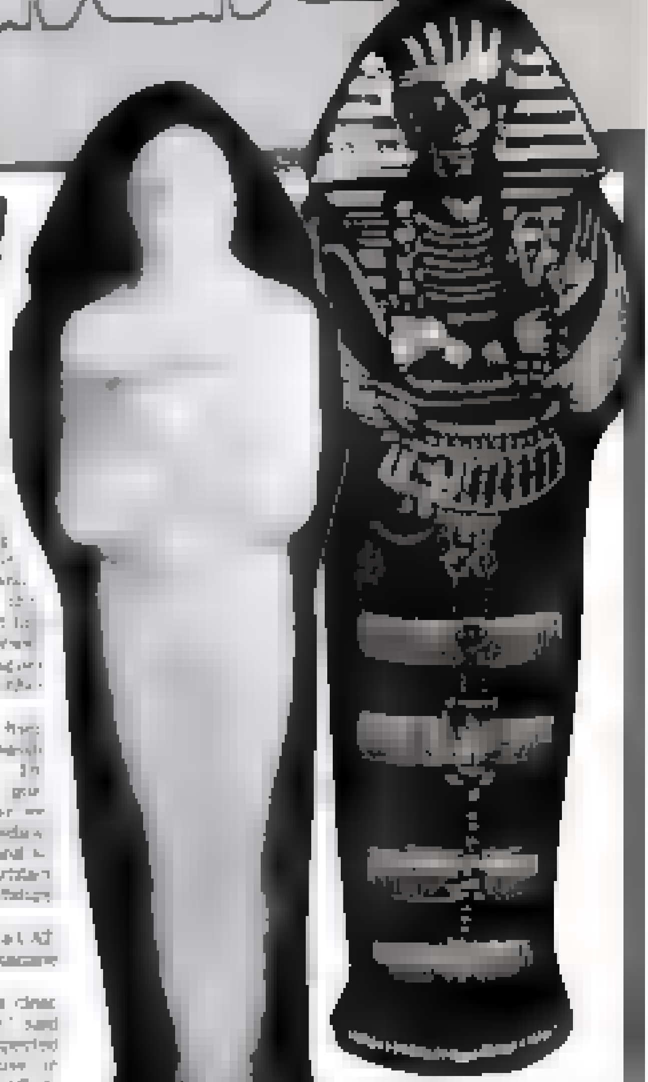
Dr. Summerwell ordered tissue samples extracted from the mummy's arm and from both the 'good' and 'bad' hearts, then had them shipped off for DNA testing.

"To our amazement, we found that the good heart orig- [illegible]

"The donor was related, however, and may have been a family member."

Studies of the mummy's bone development confirmed that the man was about 75 when he died.

"He survived the surgery, lived into old age and [illegible]



SHOCKING: Scientists peered inside a 3,200-year-old mummy — and discovered the dead man had a heart transplant.

Happy moms have huge babies!

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Cheerful women bear bigger and stronger babies, researchers say.

Psychologist Marci Lobel led a study at New York's Queens-Long Island Medical Group and reports that women who agreed with such statements as "I always expect the best" suffered fewer miscarriages and birth complications, experienced quicker labor and bore stronger, heavier infants.

"More optimistic women had better birth outcomes," she said, emphasizing that a positive attitude "may be as important to maternal and fetal health as other factors like medical risk, which have traditionally received greater attention."

This woman has a whale of a big baby.

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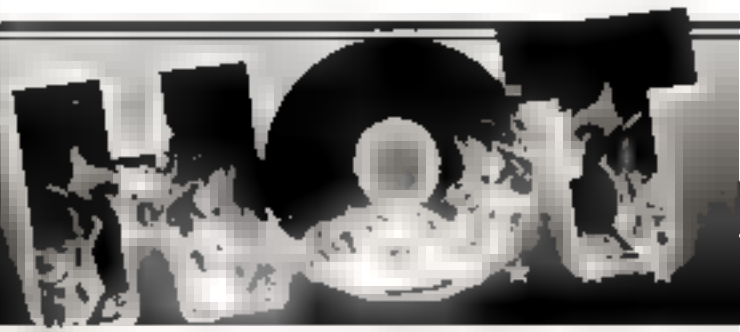
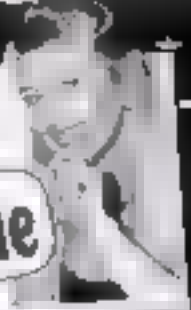


HOLLYWOOD ANSWER GIRL!

Ask Christie



Q Sheila Nidler's new TV show is fabulous! But Nellie's all fat and everything. It makes me wonder what she watches on the tube when she plops down after a hard day at the studio.

Does she watch other people's sitcoms, stay, video shows, rap shows, what?

— Dennis D., Indianapolis, Ind.

A Nope, nope and nope. Dennis. Nellie insists she won't watch TV at all. "I always said I wouldn't watch anything snootier than me," the multitalented star told the New York Times Magazine.

"And a lot of TV is really stupid."

Nellie says she took on a television show only because movie offers were few and far between.

"It's so hard to get a picture," she said.

"So rather than wait for the air to fill with pixels, I like to work and I think I have a lot to offer. I said, 'That's it. I can't be bothered.' "

★ ★ ★

Q Michael Caine is the sweetest, most adorable actor there is, but he's getting kind of old. That's why I got scared for him when a friend of mine heard on the radio that he fell down a cliff or something while making a new movie.

Tell me my baby's all right.

— Penny L., Shreveport, La.

A Caine's O.K., but the debonair 61-year-old Brit did get banged up a bit when he fell from a 12-foot pit while filming a scene with sexy Sandra Bullock on the set of their upcoming movie, Miss Congeniality.

Until super-nice Sandra got quite a scare when the star of The Cider House Rules took his tumble.

"I thought, 'Oh, my God. I've killed Michael Caine,' " she said later.

"Then he crawled out. Chinese medicine practitioners on the set treated him and the next day he came bounding in and said he was fine, thanks to them."

WILL THE REAL ARMPIT STAND UP?

THE NOSE KNOWS! Superstar George Clooney, right, got a thorough look from John Cusack, left, who was caught sniffing the actor's pit during the making of...

Hollywood bank George Clooney can breathe a little easier now, gossip lovers.

We don't know what the fuss is all [illegible] about the star that started it when the TimeWarner honcho [illegible] — but it turns out the rumors [illegible] are false.

The real armpit aficionado on [illegible] other than **John Cusack** [illegible]

The search for the [illegible] began when Cle published a [illegible] by writer Deanna Kizis who told about a hot date [illegible] with a certain star. She'd [illegible] as "Mr. Wrong."

The writer said the guy was about to plant a kiss on her when he suddenly lifted her arm instead. He then [illegible] and coming up for air said, "You smell [illegible]. That's right," she wrote. "Mr. Movie Star had a [illegible] ... he proceeded on an [illegible] sniffing fest."

The lady mentioned that the pit sniffer had starred in The Thin Red Line and the [illegible] headline: "Don't Date George Clooney" [illegible] — sure seemed to imply that Clooney had the smelly gene.

But when the star of The Perfect Storm [illegible] and a [illegible] actor the mag backed off and announced that Clooney was indeed innocent — leaving scrutiny [illegible] Cusack as the culprit.

Cusack [illegible] denies that he or John was the armpit sniffer, but a top Hollywood insider [illegible] "Both [illegible] pits. It's a pretty odd [illegible]."

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Word is there was hell to pay when Prince Charles suddenly discovered he couldn't get his favorite mayonnaise during a trip to the Czech Republic.

"The Prince is very partial to his egg and mayo sandwiches," said a palace insider. "He was in a fury and everyone here was in panic alert. The Prince was very anxious that a jar of Hellmann's mayonnaise be flown over immediately."

The ol' Charles' flunkies in London hesitated. It is a supermarket. Rummaged up a giant jar of Hellmann's and stuffed it into a diplomatic pouch — usually reserved for confidential, high-level communiques — and rushed it on to the next flight to Prague. Officials say the much-coveted mayo arrived just in time for the Prince's lunch, to the relief of all involved.

TUCK! Prince Charles can't stand Czech mayonnaise.

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Dharma & Greg star **Jenna Elfman** took her pooch in to be neutered but changed her mind in a hurry when she heard him bawling in the vet's office. Jenna dashed in from the waiting room scooped up her pup and fled before the first cut.

IN HOLLYWOOD!

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Bruce Rhee relies on his stealth and cunning as a ninja warrior to score the juicy Hollywood gossip that ordinary columnists can only dream of uncovering. Watch him topple the stars next week. ONLY in Weekly World News.

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Rush to be single celebrity songbird Naomi Judd has been pressuring her movie star daughter Ashley to fix her up with super successful Hollywood bachelors.

Naomi, who divorced her hubby manager Larry Strickland, told Ashley: "No yammering actors — only business executives."

GET ME A GUY! Naomi Judd, left, wants daughter Ashley to find her a Hollywood hunk.

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Arnold Schwarzenegger surveyed a moment of sheer terror on the set of his new movie The Sixth Day when an underwater stunt went awry — nearly terminating Arnie once and for all.

The star of The Last Action Hero became the last action hero when he got entangled and nearly drowned in murky water as he filmed the climax of the hot

[illegible] Arnie's nightmare began as he and [illegible] were in a scene in which he rides [illegible] motorcycle [illegible] tank of water. The actor and crew had [illegible] several times and feared [illegible] a piece of [illegible]

"But when they turned on all the lights for the cameras the water was murkier than I realized and I became disoriented," the terrified musclehead said later. The actor went in the wrong direction and when he came up he smashed into the platform built to support the cameras.

"I was totally out of breath, so I tried another spot, but that was further underneath. Arnie recalled. Then, just as [illegible] and colorful [illegible] was about to flash before his eyes a scuba diver arrived and guided him to the surface.

[illegible] there [illegible] somebody

GARTH BROOKS PIGS OUT — & BALLOONS TO 295 POUNDS!

TEN GALLON FAT Garth Brooks

Country music superstar GARTH BROOKS ballooned to a bulbous 295 pounds during his temporary retirement from show biz, causing doctors to fear for his health. But the *Friends in Low Places* crooner sheds 100 pounds in a hurry when he's offered the starring role in the Broadway production of a new musical called *Star Over Texas*. Critics say his performance is brilliant.

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[illegible] surgeon magnet MISS HOWARD stuns Hollywood by revealing that he's had at least three [illegible] including one as an 11th-century [illegible] and another as a 13th-century Renaissance painter and says he is a lamb-pecking stability singer in the early 1960s. Howard discloses that he underwent hypnotic regression after reading a reincarnation story in Weekly World News.

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BEEN THERE, DONE THAT Ben Howard

Radio personality Howard Stern, a popular network game show host collapses onstage while filming his show — and is pronounced dead the following day of a cerebral hemorrhage.

★ ★ ★

In a desperate move to improve ratings producers of *Monday Night Football* announce they've dumped Dennis Miller for the coming season — and replaced him with shock jock Howard Stern. But Mr. Mean's star dims quickly when he tries to liven things up — by bringing strippers and prostitutes in to the broadcast booth.

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MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS! Howard Stern

Funnyman Jim Carrey is so fed up with the constant pressure of having to make folks laugh that he accepts a role in a dead-serious crime thriller — playing a serial killer.

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Self-conscious Liz Taylor announces that she's engaged to be the knot one more time — with pop prince Michael Jackson. The engagement is eventually scrapped, however — when Liz's [illegible] tells everyone her that the marriage

[illegible] Carrey in Texas

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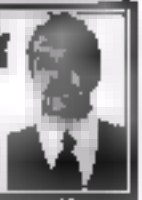

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Preacher loses his church in $600,000 Las Vegas bet

. . . and now his flock is praying in the street!

LOS ANGELES — The Reverend James Thorough was respected by his community and beloved by his parishioners — until he lost his church in a high-stakes poker game in Las Vegas!

Now the disgraced clergyman faces bitter criticism by his angry members of his former flock, and an investigation is under way to determine whether he should be stripped of his robes.

By ANNE FOSTER
Weekly World News

The minister acknowledges that he should never have put the deed for the building — valued at $600,000 — up for grabs in one of cash, without first getting the permission of his church's board. But he insists that he was acting in what he thought was the best interests of his parish and had honestly believed he held a hand that couldn't lose.

"I kept kicking at that straight flush and thinking about all the good work we could do at the church with the money that it could help fund our charity drive to help poor children, pay for improvements we've been talking about for years, such as repairing the old steeple," he recalls.

"I kept thinking that God had given me that almost unbeatable hand for a reason. He wanted me to win so I could bring home a windfall for the church. Obviously, in retrospect I was wrong."

The Second Mount Zion Church had been a fixture in the neighborhood outside L.A. since 1957, and indeed, many who've worshiped there since childhood were safe in would believe them.

But that all changed in June when Rev. Thorough and his wife took a weekend vacation in Las Vegas to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

Although he originally told parishioners he was "retreat to see Wayne Newton," the minister now admits he has a serious gambling problem for which he has since agreed to seek treatment.

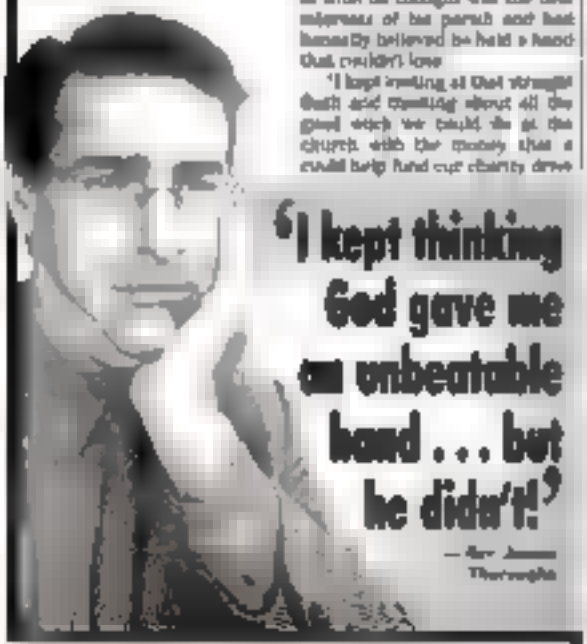
While his wife was busy playing nickel slot machines, Rev. Thorough found himself caught up in a poker game upstairs in a hotel suite against some "high rollers." He had already tapped out his bank account and had to either cover up with the suite to match a player's bet or fold.

"I would never have put the church deed on the table if I wasn't sure I could win," he said.

When his opponent slapped down a royal flush, beating his hand, the minister was devastated.

"I realized I had lost the church and I said to myself, 'You really blew it,'" he remembers.

But that was nothing compared to the reaction of church members when the red-faced cleric stood before them at his Sunday services, shamefully and



'I kept thinking God gave me an unbeatable hand . . . but he didn't!'

— Rev. James Thorough

OUT OF LUCK. Rev. James Thorough figured God was on his side — but he ended up losing his church.

"There's a lot of anger, disappointment and confusion," said a parishioner who asked not to be identified. "People are asking, if he didn't go there planning to gamble with the church, why did he have the deed in his pocket to begin with?"

They've asked for an outside probe of the church's books to see if their minister routinely dipped into the till to feed his

But either way, the church is history. After losing a five-month court battle against an eviction order, worshipers have been booted out of the building which stands on prime land. The new owner, a Colorado businessman, plans to have the structure and erect a dance club on the site.

"I let my parishioners down, and I let myself down," said

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World's bravest mom delivers her own baby by C-section — USING A PIZZA CUTTER

By MIKE FOSTER

ALICE SPRINGS, Australia — Expectant mom Kate Shirewood didn't panic when she found herself pinned in an overturned pizza delivery truck in the remote Australian outback, even after two days of agonizing labor. The gutsy 31-year-old artist delivered her own baby by cesarean section — using a pizza cutter!

"The pain was almost unbearable at this point," Mrs. Shirewood said. "But I kept breathing so the baby and how she was depending on me to bring her into the world."

Despite her ordeal, Mrs. Shirewood is in excellent health, say doctors at Alice Springs Hospital.

Mrs. Kate Shirewood got herself out of an astounding ordeal, explained Dr. Linda Jones, who treated mother and child after they were found by a search party.

The extraordinary drama unfolded on the morning of November 21, when Mrs. Shirewood was alone at her home about 15 miles from Alice Springs. Her husband was at work.

"I was bored, and I'd ordered a pizza from Jack's Shack for the afternoon," she said.

When a pizza delivery man Wallace Rader was pulling into the driveway, the sudden, the door burst — and the front suspension collapsed, causing the truck to flip.

"When we were in the truck, I was about 8 months, and we were upside down and I started yelling," said Mrs. Shirewood. "That part I don't really want to be too much of the ordeal."

The truck crashed off the road and crashed into a ravine.

Tragically, the delivery man was killed in the wreck. Mrs. Shirewood knew that her self and her baby were in danger.

"I thought his labor pains had subsided for a few minutes, but anything beneath my waist

"Then I realized my feet were numb, too," she said. "I realized we were upside down."

Despite her grim predicament, Mrs. Shirewood didn't lose her head.

"I figured I'd have to deliver the baby myself, but I felt I might do it because I had watched my obstetrician who worked with strangulation. I'd often lay alone and pass the time," she said.

But for two days, the baby didn't come and neither did the pain.

Intermittent abdominal pains interrupted by intense contractions of the stranded woman she was in labor — and pushing didn't help.

Finally, she realized that to save her baby, she would have to take that task into her own hands.

"I'm helped [her] do this on [her] [illegible] and reckoned I could handle it," she said.

She discovered a first-aid kit under the passenger seat that contained bolts, bandages, a needle and thread for suturing — but no scalpel.

"I almost cried at this point," she said. "Then I dug around in the glove compartment and found a sharp and found the pizza cutter. I told myself: 'Well, old girl, this will have to do.'"

Using the utensil, she made an incision in her abdomen, then carefully cut open the uterus.

"That's when the adrenalin [illegible] my waist came back strong," she recalls. "But I couldn't stop."

Hands washed in blood, she removed squirming baby Clarissa, then stitched up her womb.

"I cut the umbilical cord with [illegible] but then I [illegible] out from the blood mess," she said.

A few hours later, a search party led by her husband Jeff arrived on the scene and found the miracle baby nestled in her mother's arms.

Now doctors say there's no other miracle to shine for the family. Mrs. Shirewood was diagnosed with a mild spinal

SPECIAL DELIVERY
Brave mom Kate Shirewood and her miracle baby Clarissa

FOR WOMEN ONLY: How to know if you need a cesarean section

Obstetricians generally recommend a cesarean section under any of the following circumstances:

- The mother has diabetes or high blood pressure.
- Your baby is in a breech position, rear end first instead of headfirst.
- Your baby is larger than average — nine pounds or more.
- You are in labor or

Blind dog hit by car — and now he can see!

BIDDOUT! — A blind dog regained his sight after being hit by a car, the incredulous owners say.

The dog, Rambo, a golden retriever, had gone blind shortly after birth, according to the owner, Richard Rabbit.

The pooch would dart out in front of a moving car and sustained minor injuries.

Dr. Dianne Blackman, of the Biddout Veterinary Clinic, said, "The dog had a mild concussion, but we treated him and he quickly recovered."

MY AMERICA

LET'S ALL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS ONCE EVERY FOUR YEARS

I'm madder than a New Year's baby with a soggy diaper over all the holiday complaining I've been hearing.

Everywhere you go people are whining about how much trouble the holidays are.

Half of them complain about being exhausted, half of them say they're miserable because they ate too much and the other half just get there hellacoming and don't even know why.

I haven't heard so much whining and gnashing since Hillary canceled Bill's going away bash for Monica Lewinsky.

I have a solution for all the boo-hooers celebrating the holidays: Do what we do the Summer Olympics and presidential elections — and have them every four years.

That's right. Christmas once every four years. Thanksgiving twice every four years. Easter once every four years. Your wedding anniversary [illegible]

[illegible] people who get the picture.

And when enough New Year's Eve people will be hungover to celebrate that only once every four years, too.

The only holiday we'd have every year will be our friend holidays. July the 4th. It's just too much for people to give up all the parades, fireworks and picnics. Oak Ridge July the 4th. The great American holiday.

All the other holidays we'd put on an alternating system. Like this year we'd have Christmas the way we do it [illegible] Thanksgiving [illegible] Easter [illegible] Halloween [illegible] Then next year we'd have Christmas in July, Thanksgiving in August, Easter in September, Halloween in October and New Year's Eve in November. That's how it's supposed to be.

Think how much fun Thanksgiving will be! They don't have it every day, [illegible]

I bet we don't have one more year of Mother's Day, Father's Day, Labor Day and Christmas and Easter and Halloween holidays like George Washington's Birthday. Everything else is not [illegible] which we get a legal holiday off from holidays.

Then maybe we'd all start to appreciate our holidays when they come around instead of being stressed out and unhappy about how much they're going to cost.

Ed Angel

Start the New Year right with Hoppin' John!

Hoppin' John is a favorite dish throughout the American South and an especially beloved [illegible] on New Year's Day, when families eagerly hunker down around the table to dig into the delicious mix of rice and black-eyed peas. But few people know the whole fascinating story behind Hoppin' John — a tale that dates back centuries and spans two continents.

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Sunday World News

During the tragic era of the transatlantic slave trade, Africans brought over to the Americas were robbed of their language and culture, but they were able to hold on to certain traditional foods. Among these were black-eyed peas — uniquely delicious beans that provide the prime ingredient for Hoppin' John.

No one knows if there really was a person named Hoppin' John — if so, his identity has been lost over time. Old folktales tell of a man named John who was so fond of the mouth-watering dish, he always came "a-hoppin' " when his wife prepared it.

According to *The American Heritage Cookbook*, "The name may have derived from the custom that children must hop once around the table before the dish is served, or may have been the nickname of a lively waiter."

Whatever the origin, it is believed that when slaves from rice plantations in the West Indies were transplanted to the Carolinas, they brought Hoppin' John with them and it is in South Carolina that the dish first became famous.

Today, while its origins are forgotten, Hoppin' John is a staple throughout the South and considered "lucky" to eat on New Year's Day.

Here is a standard recipe:

HOPPIN' JOHN

Ingredients:
1 cup black-eyed peas
1 small chunk of lean side meat, diced fine
1 onion, chopped
1 cup raw rice
2 tablespoons salt
½ hot red pepper, seeded and diced
1 clove of garlic, sliced
1 bay leaf
minced fresh parsley
thyme
black pepper

Clean peas thoroughly and cover with 5 cups of water. Soak for four hours.

Drain out the peas and bring the water to a boil. Return the [illegible]

Let simmer for 45 minutes. While the peas are cooking, fry the bacon until the pieces are crisp. Fry the onion in the bacon fat.

Take the peas after 45 minutes. They should be soft, but not mushy.

Make sure there is at least 3½ cups of water remaining. If not, add more water.

Place in the rice, bacon, onion, bay leaf, all other ingredients and the desired amount of salt.

Boil until rice is cooked, about 20 minutes. Turn off heat and let sit for 10 minutes before serving.

Source: Recipe is based on one in a recipe book called [illegible]

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By MIKE FORSYTH [illegible]

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Would you like to be kidnapped by space aliens? Well, now you can experience the adventure of a lifetime without risking life and limb — thanks to a company that offers to implant false memories of an alien abduction in your mind!

Alien Abductions Incorporated [illegible] customers [illegible] being taken aboard a UFO according to public relations materials at the firm's website.

"The fact of the matter is that most people will probably never have the opportunity to be abducted by aliens. So why wait?" [illegible]

"The highly trained and professional staff at Alien Abductions Incorporated [illegible] provide you with personalized realistic memories of the alien abduction that you have been wanting for your entire life."

The company [illegible] boasts the ability to leave you [illegible] convinced [illegible] had a close encounter of the third kind.

"When you choose an AAI Abduction Experience, our doctors, hypnotists, and memory implant technicians work with you in pre-abduction orientation sessions to customize one of our hundreds of stock abductions to suit your personal taste," according to the PR materials. [illegible]

[illegible] in [illegible] AAI's patented implantation techniques. [illegible] of the memories that [illegible] have been implanted [illegible] explore the memories of your own abduction.

While [illegible] AAI promises "the best abduction for the lowest price."

The firm offers special options including [illegible] surveillance after the memory [illegible] of your abduction experience and [illegible] such as mysterious alien [illegible].

There is also a [illegible] or [illegible] as an [illegible] and economical alternative.

Each participant receives personal abduction data which determines their individual role in the abduction, according to AAI. "The group must work together to figure out [illegible] really happened [illegible]

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You can find out more by checking out the company website at alienabductions[illegible], or by writing Alien Abductions Incorporated, [illegible] Post Office [illegible] Park Avenue [illegible]

Parrot speaks 555 words and predicts the future!

GENEVA — A woman claims to have a psychic parrot that knows exactly what people are thinking!

According to reports, [illegible] her parrot, Chirpy, [illegible] vocabulary to comment on people's thoughts.

[illegible] images while [illegible] her thoughts.

When a picture of a [illegible] "That's a picture [illegible]."

A picture of a [illegible] this response from Chirpy: [illegible]

Dr. Albert Humphries of the Geneva Institute of Parapsychology [illegible] out a test using 20 images and found the parrot [illegible] times.

Dr. Humphries said, [illegible] by chance. This was staggering."

Woman woos 43rd hubby!

MUNICH, Germany — [illegible]

[illegible]

SLOW SERVICE FOILS ROBBERY!

[illegible], Germany — A would-be robber who wanted to hold up a post office lost his patience and left after waiting more than 20 minutes for service!

A woman who was waiting alone to be served at the post office in [illegible] told police the man burst into the room but could not find a member of the staff to help him.

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EASY DOES IT! Dr. Herman Wiedermeyer removes Arnold Kressel's heart — just minutes before dropping it on the floor.

Surgeon drops patient's heart — and nurse steps on it!

MUNICH, Germany — A fumble-fingered surgeon botched a delicate heart operation when he accidentally dropped the patient's vital organ — and one of his nurses stepped on it!

By GEORGE SANFORD

The unlucky patient, 52-year-old Arnold Kressel, died an hour into the rare high-risk procedure during which doctors actually took his heart from his body in order to remove a dangerous tumor.

The operation ended in disaster when Dr. Herman Wiedermeyer, who specialized in the operation, fumbled the patient's heart as he tried to move it from where he'd placed it during the tumor removal.

"When he called for me to hand the repaired organ to him so it could be reimplanted in the chest cavity, I dipped one of my gloved hands into a pool of blood and slippery with blood.

"In the momentary confusion that followed, in the crowded room a nurse squished it."

Because the patient could be kept alive artificially for only a few hours, there was hardly the staff could do at that point but stand around and "wail for hours to die," Dr. Schleicher explained.

GHOST WORKER STILL ON THE JOB — SIX MONTHS AFTER SHE DIES!

MEXICO CITY — Workers in an advertising agency say their office worker manager continues to provide them with office supplies — six months after she died.

Paper, pens, staples, paper clips, whatever anyone needs, mysteriously appears on their desks between the time they leave at night and return the next morning. "She's our office angel," says Pepe Spitilla, president of Voluntarios Public Relations Inc.

activity in the workplace is not unusual.

"I surveyed 1,000 office workers and 44 percent claimed they have seen or otherwise experienced the ghost of employees who've died. It's a phenomenon that can't be dismissed," reports Dr. Gustavo Montero, a physicist and member of the Institute for

THE MEANEST DAD IN AMERICA

'Male Susan Smith' murdered son and daughter in cold blood — and blamed it on a car thief!

By CLIFF LINEDECKER

CAMBRIDGE, Md. — "I love you guys. I don't ever want to leave you," a vengeful dad told his little boy and girl.

Then Richard Spicknall, 31, fatally shot Bradley, 5, and Richard III, 3, with a 9 mm Smith & Wesson, and executed an outrageous scam about fighting with a carjacker who raised him at gunpoint.

Spicknall claimed the carjacker drove away with his Jeep while the children were still strapped inside in their car seats.

Now people in Maryland's rugged Eastern Shore are calling Spicknall "the meanest dad in America" and the disgusting facility person terms in a special poll of the nation's most unnatural fathers.

People around here have a lot of names for Mr. Spicknall, including "the Male Susan Smith," a reporter-cum-observer told a reporter after the sentencing.

"But all the name-calling in the world will never bring those two beautiful children back."

Like Susan Smith, the killer South Carolina mom who drowned her two little boys in their car to frame the murders on a nonexistent carjacker, Spicknall concocted a similar story after he hung up his children from the arms of his estranged wife. Like Smith, he also tried to cash in on the tragedy.

He pleaded with the Cleveland Press after the shooting. Then, eager to share and "get a startled response that a carjacker had pulled a shotgun on him, jumped into his Jeep and fled, speeding away with his boy and his children.

After Spicknall's story fell apart and he confessed the shootings to Maryland State Police homicide investigators, he faced a different carjacker — one he still fears.

The killer dad was two weeks away from trial in Kent County Circuit Court, where he agreed to plead guilty to two counts of first-degree murder.

In return, prosecutors agreed to drop their efforts to win the death penalty and settle for two sentences of life without parole.

The protective custody provision was also included as part of the plea deal after authorities revealed that Spicknall, 31, had already received death threats.

The killer dad agreed to the plea bargain the day after prosecutors

Until Richard III and Richard Spicknall III were admitted gunning down his young son and daughter and blaming the murders on a nonexistent carjacker, he's been called a male version of the infamous Susan Smith, who drowned her babies and then wept on TV about South Carolina baby killer. Inset: [illegible]

JUDGE [illegible] HIMSELF FOR CONTEMPT!

HAZELTON, Ga. — A judge held himself in contempt of court and paid a $34 fine after he failed to show up for work in his own courtroom because he was taking care of a sick pony.

Explaining why he fined himself, municipal court judge Paul Maxwell said, "If you screwed up and missed court, I would fine you. I don't think judges are above the law."

He said he lost track of time while helping Bobbie, his 15-year-old pony with bad feet.

"The pony ain't worth $34, but every

SCIENTISTS TELL WHY:

Women HAVE to nag their guys!

Dr. Janet Penner

CHICAGO — It's a scientific fact — men listen with only half their brains, a new study shows. And that's why women have to nag them to be heard, says an expert.

"The study proves what women have known all along — men just don't listen!

"They can't help it. It's the way their brains work," declares psychologist Dr. Janet Penner, who reviewed the study.

Researchers put 18 men and 18 women, one at a time, inside a brain scanning MRI machine.

They wore headphones and listened to audio excerpts from John Grisham's novel The Pelican Brief while scientists watched video images of the blood flowing in their brains.

When the men listened, researchers saw an increased blood flow in their left temporal lobes but not the right.

When the women listened, researchers noted an increased blood flow in both the left and the right temporal lobes.

"In other words, the woman listened with their whole brain and the man listened with half their brain," said Dr. Penner. "It's why women have to keep repeating themselves when they talk to their men."

The study was done at the Indiana University School of Medicine and presented at the Radiological Society of North America's annual meeting.

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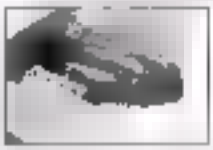

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TAICHUNG, Taiwan — An anxious teenager led police on a high-stepping, 33-minute chase that reached speeds of more than 105 m.p.h. — using his knees to steer the stolen car he was driving!

Cops said Kwong Luh Ho, 17, ignored siren bursts, and stole the car from an airport parking lot.

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My stuck-up stepdaughter needs a major whupping!

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GEENIE is Annoyed

Dear Dotti: Last August, I married for the second time and everything is going great — except my new wife keeps shielding her daughter from discipline.

My 8-year old stepdaughter Lois is rude and smart-up. She constantly talks back, but my wife refuses to let me punish her the way I do my own flesh-and-blood children, who are 4 and 10. My wife never complains when I take a belt to my boys, but when I talk about giving Lois a whupping, I get a big argument. So her previous Lois grew away with murder running like a water yelling in my face – until you can bet she wouldn't act he during if I had a chance to put money little Miss Too Good To Be Spanked over my knee and give that rear end of hers a taste of my leather belt. My wife means she's out trying to give Lois any special treatment. I say that's hogwash. What do you think? — Bernie in Missouri

Dear Bernie: Your wife of yours really IS trying to give her daughter "special treatment" — thank God! The bottom line' Is stupidly what she says!

Mom and Dad hate my skinhead boyfriend!

Dear Dotti: My parents refuse to accept my new boyfriend because he's a skinhead. We don't belong to any of the groups he's against, but they still won't let me bring him home to dinner and don't want me to see him anymore. I've never cared about history or politics and I don't think it's fair that we be kept apart just because they don't agree with his views. Who cares? This is almost like that movie *Romeo and Juliet* and has me so upset I can't stop crying. Mom and Dad keep talking about "tolerance." Well, why won't they tolerate my boyfriend? — Lynn in Idaho

LYNN in Idaho

Dear Lynn: They won't tolerate your boyfriend because he's a knuckle dragging Neanderthal. And the next time he gives-stomps out the door, strong, I strongly suggest you salute his backside goodbye — for good!

Should I tell my blind girlfriend I'm ugly?

Dear Dotti: I've been dating a blind girl for three weeks now and I couldn't be happier. She's so nice, and she thinks I look just like Tom Cruise. This really impressed her — but it's a lie. I'm average-looking at best. Now I'm scared she's going to ask to feel my face like they do in the movies and she'll find out the truth. What should I do? I'm really feeling guilty about lying and am worried all the time about this. — Blair in Pennsylvania

Dear Blair: What she can't see won't hurt her. Not to mention the fact that as long she's busy groping Tom Cruise's face, she doesn't have a clue as to what he looks like, either.

How many encounters does it take to make a man gay?

Dear Dotti: I was stunned and upset when my husband told casually mentioned that he had two or three homosexual experiences back in high school. But he assures me that this is very common and that he's not gay. He says after these encounters with other guys who were all fellow members of the football team, he went back to dating girls and was "cured." I'm not sure I believe him. Should I? — Roberta in Louisiana

Dear Roberta: Just who do you think I am, Dr. Ruth? All you have to do is toss a PLAYGIRL magazine on the coffee table this evening and see how the horny boy reacts.

Will you be in my exciting new movie, Dotti?

Dear Dotti: I'm an up-and-coming filmmaker and I have a role for you in a movie. Although this will be my first feature, I've already built quite a reputation at the film school from which I graduated last year where I was named "the next Orson Welles of Toronto." You have just the look I want for a feisty, aging socialite who's the leading lady's mother. Because it's an independent film, I can't pay you up front, but I'm willing to give you a generous percentage of

Al in California

Dear Al: You're barking up the wrong tree, pardner. For starters, there isn't a making-man alive who can turn me into an "aging socialite!"

Tell my wife gambling is a full-time job!

Dear Dotti: I'm a professional gambler and earn more than enough to get by. Some years are better than others, but that's the nature of the business. My wife keeps telling me to go back to a "real job," as if I'm some kind of lazy bum! Dotti, I spend hours at the track and in casinos. I read books on card playing and study the sheets. There's a lot of hard work involved. She whines if she has to loan me a little cash after a run of bad luck. But she sure doesn't complain when I hit it big and buy her a nice piece of jewelry, does she? Help me. — Dan in Nevada

Dan in Nevada

Dear Dan: You've got a lot of sense coming to me without a couple of hot tips on the ponies — get lost!

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Dear Disappointed in Pennsylvania: Now you know why they call her "spunky!"

Dear Cowboy in Texas: I can't think of one good reason to break your girlfriend. Why don't you break yourself?

Dear Pushing 40 in Florida: If you're an ugly old, why are you dating a 19-year-old girl?

Dear Anonymous in Utah: You could break your neck pulling a stunt like that!

Dear Tiny Guy in Connecticut: In this case, the best things DON'T come in small packages!

Dear Pressing to Save Money: If the problem is that bad, stop eating bacon!

Dear Befuddled in Ohio: I'd like to help — but I'm just not in the mood!

Dear Upset in Louisiana: If my mom gave me an electric can opener for Christmas, I'd cut his lovin' off for a year — at least!

Dear Pen in Oklahoma: Thanks for the delicious candy — your autographed picture is in the mail.

ADAM'S BODY FOU

DISCOVERY IN 1949 IS STILL CL

TOP SECRET BY TH

WASHINGTON — Photographs taken by U.S. spy planes have led searchers to the remains of Noah's Ark — and the bones of the biblical Adam were found inside!

The startling discovery was made after researchers forced the C.I.A. to open super secret files that the spy agency had kept under wraps for half a century.

"This is especially distressful at this time — while the world celebrates Christ's birth," Dr. Gregor Drugfax, a world renowned Bible scholar, said from his home in San Francisco.

"Discovery of the Ark and of Adam's remains provides undeniable proof that the Scriptures are 100 percent fact," the former Russian Orthodox priest said.

Leading researchers the world over, including Washington bureaucrats, decided before using the Freedom of Information Act to force release of hundreds of thousands of pictures of the Ark's wreckage near the top of Mount Ararat in Turkey.

Guided by the photographs (including some taken during 1949 and the 1960s from the highest U-2 spy plane — an expedition reached the ruins of the fabled ship on October 12.

Researchers who have dived on a shipwreck in the search for the Ark — as well as expedition members newly recruited from the United States, England, Ethiopia and Japan — said they were shocked by the discovery of Adam's remains.

They were admittedly unable to explain Adam's presence on the Ark, but pointed out that he is said to have lived to be hundreds of years old.

"When we realized we were looking at a block of ice with almost perfectly preserved human bones and tissue, we suspected that after Noah's Flood [illegible]

"Scientists and theologians ... were agreed there was only one ... man," Dr. Drugfax said.

"The utmost was that of Adam ... else but Adam and Eve were ... man and woman but were fashioned ... single creator."

Examination of the pelvis, the ... of the so-called long bones from the ... and bone density readings that ... classic remains were those of a male ...

Dr. Drugfax, [illegible] members of the expedition and ... team, said the initial search failed ... up fifty layers of Eve.

Piles of animal bones, some ... signs of having gnawed on, were ... from the ancient ship and are also ... suspected of the secret [illegible] Germany.

Early tests indicated that some ... bones may be from animals that ... known in modern zoologists, ... Drugfax speculated they were ... by carnivorous rescued by Noah.

"It's also likely that Noah and ... ly fed on some of the animals, ... to be sacrificed for the ... during the harrowing 40-day, ... ride on the floodwaters.

A scientific colleague of Dr. ... who holds a professorship ... American university and asked to ... anonymous, told Weekly World ... the wreckage of the Ark was ... have been uncovered as 1948.

"An earthquake apparently ... blew the debris at that time, and ... later, the first aerial photographs ... snapped — and promptly turned ... to U.S. government officials," ... he said.

The startling photos were ... kept under wraps, primarily ... because of the brush-cut ... nature of the super-secret ... high-altitude spy flights ... over areas of the ... Soviet Union, as well ...

STUNNER! Researchers explored the remains of Noah's Ark and came across the mind-boggling sight — the bones of Earth's first man.

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Dr. Eugen Drewlow

to the United States.

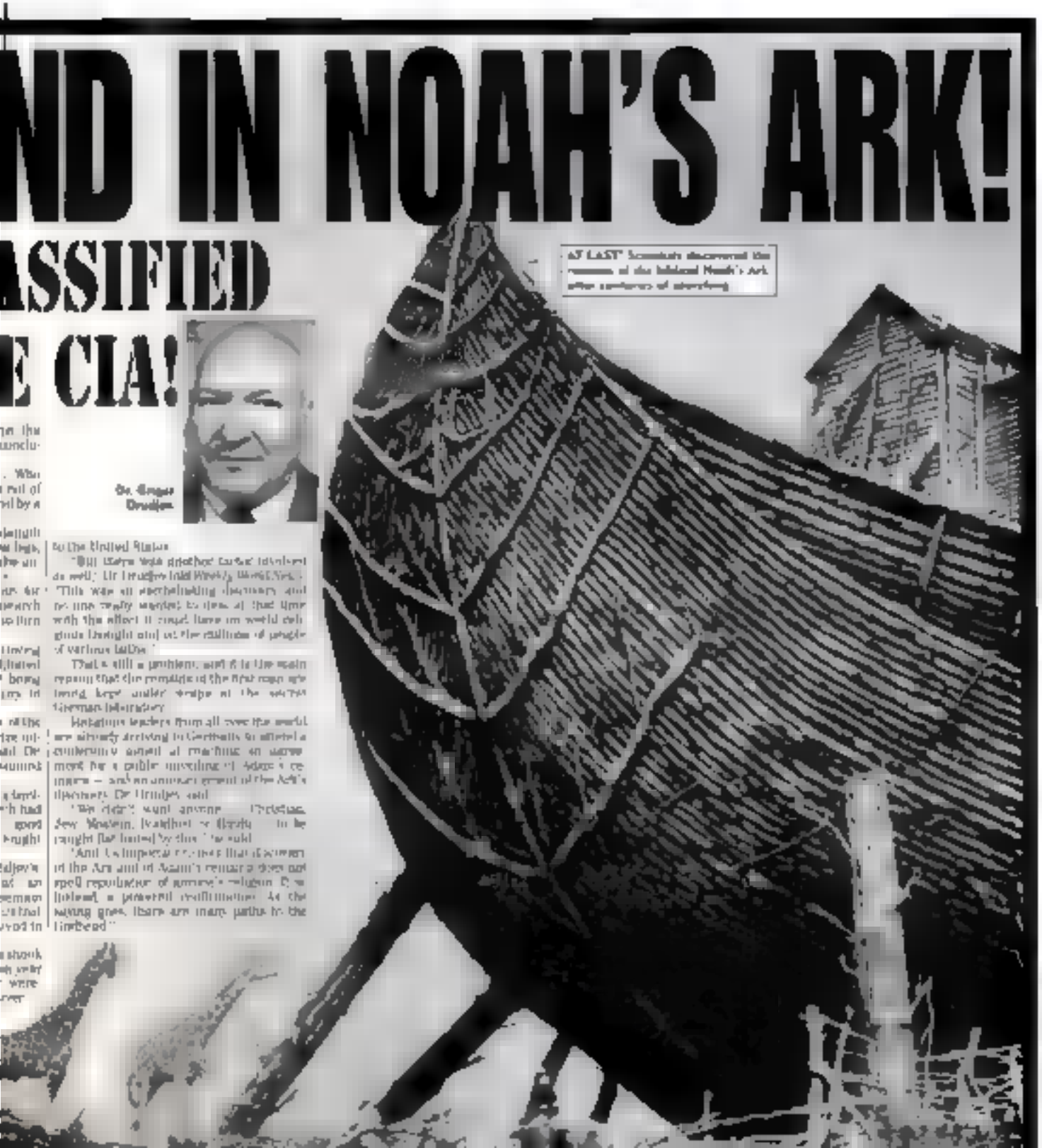
"But there was another factor involved as well," Dr Drewlow told World Weekly News. "This was an overwhelming discovery and we knew we'd wanted to keep it that time with the effect it might have on world religious thought and on the millions of people of various faiths."

That's still a problem, and it is the main reason that the remains of the first man are being kept under wraps at the secret German laboratory.

Religious leaders from all over the world are already arriving in Germany to attend a conference aimed at reaching an agreement for a public unveiling of Adam's remains — and an announcement of the Ark's discovery, Dr Drewlow said.

"We didn't want anyone — Christians, Jews, Moslems, Buddhists or Hindus — to be caught flat-footed by this," he said.

"And I'm hopeful we can show that discovery of the Ark and of Adam's remains does not spell repudiation of anyone's religion. On the contrary, it provides confirmation. As the saying goes, there are many paths to the timberline."



AT LAST! Scientists discovered the remains of the biblical Noah's Ark after centuries of searching

MENLO PARK, Calif. — You can overcome shyness and socialize with the best of them all through the new year with tips from an expert.

Psychologist Dr. Aaron Kipnis says that an increasing number of shy people are seeking medications for mental illness when they simply need better social skills.

"Shyness can be very frightening and very painful," said psychologist for the Shyness Clinic.

"Shy people often feel like there's something seriously wrong with them, especially at this time of year when there are [illegible] other than [illegible] where they are.

"And it's true that drugs like Paxil can be useful in severe cases of shyness ... [illegible] the vast majority of people [illegible]

Just in time for the new

OVERCOME SHYNESS — and be the life of any party!

By R. NEALE LEED

Seeking to be the center of attention? Dying to get a date with that cute guy or girl in accounting? Then you're a perfect candidate for Dr. Fisher's [illegible] Shyness Clinic.

Dr. Fisher suggests that [illegible] by practicing [illegible] people. Here are [illegible]

1. Read books on shyness. [illegible]

2. Enter "wandering." The technique involves imitating someone who has the skills you want to learn. Go to a party and imitate people who are at ease.

3. Ask others [illegible] people to help you. Shy people [illegible] negative feelings [illegible] about what they [illegible] have. They often [illegible] being judged or laughed at when there is not [illegible] a direct question like [illegible] as well as [illegible] Sometimes just getting a friendly perspective can make all the difference.

NO WAY! Don't let shyness ruin your new year. By following a few simple tips, you can relax and have a grand old time, experts say.

Jumping out of bed can kill you!

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Jumping out of bed too fast can kill you, a shocking new study says.

Dr. Karl Sorbo, of the National Sleep Institute, says that [illegible] people with heart disease [illegible] jumping out of bed in the middle of the night could be dangerous.

According to Dr. Sorbo, 43 percent of all people experience a temporary shortage of blood to the brain when they first wake up, sitting abruptly in the upright position.

"Jumping out of bed quickly can [illegible] to the overloading of a pressurized blood pump that's been on [illegible] for several hours," Dr. Sorbo said.

So how should you get out of bed?

"Slowly and easily," he said.

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Am I robbing people when I sleepwalk?

Serena Sabak

DAVID in Maryland

Dear Serena: I have always sleepwalked, but lately I'm terrified that I've been mugging people on the street while I'm doing it.

I'm a gentle, law abiding person who would never intentionally steal anything, but several weeks ago I woke up to find other people's wallets, watches and other belongings hung on the door near my bed. I'm afraid to try to return these items because I'm terrified I'll be arrested. Tell me, Serena, am I possessed by an evil spirit that's making me rob other people? — David in Maryland

Dear David: You don't just sound like you have, indeed, been robbing strangers in your sleep. You are doing this terrible thing because your former girlfriend has paid an unscrupulous psychic to cast a spell on you. Since receiving your letter, I have negated that spell with one of my own. Now you must go to the police, take them all the stolen property and explain to them what has been going on. With the help of the spell that I've cast on your behalf, everything will work out well for you, I promise.

★ ★ ★

Dear Serena: Two men want to marry me but I can't decide between them. Is Peter or John the right man for me? — Undecided in Michigan

Dear Undecided: John is the right man for you. Peter just wants to get his hands on your money but John is secretly wealthy on his own. John never told you about his richest because he wanted to make sure you really love him as much as he loves you.

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Dear Serena: I am a ninth grade teacher with a horrible problem — I have lost my grade book. It has all my students' grades in it, and I can't remember what they are if I just make up the grades. I'm afraid someone will find out and I will be fired. Serena, please tell me where my grade book is. — Clueless in Wyoming

Dear Clueless: You didn't lose your grade book, it was stolen by one of your students — who tore it to shreds. Since you can't retrieve it, I have mailed you all your students' correct grades.

★ ★ ★

Dear Serena: Is my husband Larry planning a surprise birthday party for me? I don't want to spoil his surprise but I have a chance to take a business trip to Florida that my company would pay for. I haven't been to Florida since I was a little girl and I very much would like to go down there for free. If I tell my boss I don't want to go, he might never give me another opportunity like this. If you tell me whether Larry has a party planned for me, it would really help me make my decision. — Elaine in Vermont

Dear [redacted]: He was planning a surprise party for you but cancelled it when he found out about your chance to go to Florida. He has another surprise cooked up but I don't want to spoil it for you. But please be back in your hotel room by 8 p.m. the second night of your trip.

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Dear Serena: Can you use your psychic powers to regain staff? I've heard how you use your powers to banish evil spirits from houses and help sick people get better. If you can do all that, it seems to me you should be able to magically repair my station wagon so I won't have to take it to the repair shop. Can I count on you for that? — Leggie in Alabama

Dear Leggie: It would be wrong for me to fix your station. I'd be taking the business away from an honest man in your town who makes his living doing repairs like that. Take the machine to him — it'll only cost you $27.47 and he'll do a good job on it.

LOUIS in Alabama

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Dear Serena: Please excuse me for being vague, but I have a question I have to ask. Did he do it? That's all I can say in your paper, but I think you know what I'm talking about. — Worried in Colorado

Dear Worried: Yes, he did do it. He didn't intend to, but in the heat of the moment, he couldn't resist. Next time you need to be more responsible for yourself.

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PERSONAL TO . . .

Hopeful in Hollywood: *Yes, you should have a speech prepared on the night of the big banquet. Congratulations.*

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ELAINE in Vermont

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ACROSS

1 Red Planet native
7 Social group
12 Hide away for safekeeping
17 Two-deck card game
20 Acquire knowledge
24 Became less inebriated
25 Fairies
27 Artful deception
28 Fly larva
29 "Little Jack — "
30 Tribute
31 Evaporate off
33 Winter melon
35 Interstellar gas cloud
36 Batted in first base
37 Private instructors
38 Goes with tribulations
41 October birthstones
43 Exam
45 Molasses-based liquors
46 Intended for
47 Debriefs
50 — Madre Mts.
52 Argus, formerly
54 Samurai's weapon
56 Blacksmith's accumulation
58 Musical pitch
59 Legal encumbrance
60 A stump in hockey
61 Tranquilizing rituals
64 Vine-growing fruit
66 Adam's apple locations
69 School session
71 Deep guttural sound
73 Crippled
74 Zodiac sign
75 Rain bedding
77 Relies
78 British nobleman
79 Speed contests
80 Allosaurs and yellowfins
81 Part of a play
84 Tiny round vegetable
85 Lyric poem
86 Range of view
88 Gastropoda
89 Pollution haze
90 Packed at
91 Small brown birds
92 Sets in concrete
94 Gets older
95 Noisy sleeper
96 On the breastplate
98 Podium
100 Well-nourished
104 Relish
106 Birds of peace
108 Not excited
111 — Wonders of the World
113 Wading bird
114 — de Janeiro
118 Religious shelter
118 Would rather have
120 Show remorse
121 Underling
123 Small quashes
124 Sudden attack
126 Eye drop
127 Daisy variety
128 Band jacket
130 Illegal pitch
131 Fire retardant
132 Specific regions
133 United Nations (Abbr.)
134 New Testament (Abbr.)
136 Illegal act
138 Celtic rowing agent
140 Rubbing, taunting
143 Driving room spot
146 Lasagnas
147 Provoke
148 — matter
149 Basement
150 Prayer ending
151 Pie nuts
154 Retrieving dog
157 Egyptian pharaoh
158 Sailor
159 Plant anchors
163 Operate a room
165 Observe
164 Stressed
167 Racer's requirement
169 Mixer drugs
171 Excessive attention
172 Between the ankle and shoe
176 Bug
178 The Wee Men
180 Form from clay
185 Drive nobly
186 Weather map line
188 Flying farmhouse
190 Dino city
191 Get up
192 Little girl
193 Mmmha
195 France village
199 Grab-walk
[illegible] Restricted and Pete
[illegible] Drinking spree
[illegible] Buffeted by breezes
[illegible] Scrapbooks
[illegible] Loses steadily
[illegible] "Go — young man"
[illegible] Hyrax
[illegible] "The Inkwell" author
[illegible] Wagon tenders
[illegible] Aster
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[illegible] Clenched hand
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[illegible] French school
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[illegible] Skeeter
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[illegible] Iceberg
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[illegible] Large black bird
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[illegible] Shakespeare specialties
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[illegible] Cause, source
[illegible] Yardsticks
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[illegible] Garnisheed
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[illegible] Hipsters
[illegible] Lock of hair
[illegible] Woman's name
[illegible] Arachnids

DOWN

1 "The Heart of Gold"
2 Orientate laterally
3 Clothing label
4 Press
5 Poker stake
6 Chilled
7 Position around
8 Jamboree party
9 Three, in Madrid
10 Crossbar
11 Cloths
12 Thudded along
14 Sight a target
15 Marble cartridge
16 Head of Easter [illegible]
18 Food thickener
19 Prohibitionists
20 Fuel vessel
21 Actor Christian
22 Groups of four
24 Cloths
28 Satisfies
26 Most patient
32 German one
33 Ottawa is its capital
34 Sun moons
36 Captivated
40 Grins
42 Photo tonality
44 Doctrine
45 Individual in play
46 Shade tree
48 Grounds for a lawsuit
49 Score
51 Summarizes
53 Roaring fire
54 Excited reaction spoiled
55 Magic stick
57 Actress' — Lupino
62 Pitcher's stat
64 Ancient Persian
65 Decorative pitchers
67 Was cognizant
68 Go without food
69 Exact duplicates
70 Jar covers
71 Goopy lumps
72 Clothing size
73 Military dining hall
76 Old Word pairs three
78 Vehicles thoroughfares
82 Maidens
83 Cosmetic test
89 Clears the surface
87 Recipe numerals (Sl.)
90 Substantiate
93 Fungus seed
98 Coarse files
97 Aweary
101 River in England
102 Dregs
103 Blue blazes
105 Put on ice
106 Lasso when over-long
107 Religious retreats
109 Dull pain
110 Congressman Hunter
112 Tidy
115 Noggin
114 Looks like
116 [illegible]
117 [illegible]
119 [illegible]
120 [illegible]
121 Average
123 Pastry shell
125 Blow-wetted
126 Ringworm
129 "— — Rabbit Wabbit"
135 "Annabelle, — "
137 Mates
139 Is victorious
141 Diving duck
143 Jetson and Rubble
144 Lardy
148 Shopping bags
149 Canadian trifolium
152 Geologic time periods
153 Prices paid
155 Fleshy-lobed material
158 Level
160 Check the flavor
161 Indian term of respect
164 Groups of three
166 Mislaid Decems
168 Archer's missiles
169 Satan
169 Jerry-rigged temporary
170 White heron
171 Small handcuff
172 — and downs
174 Universal Standardization Organization
175 Feminine pillow or things
177 Relinquishes
178 Bell's invention
179 Mature female horse
181 Wax taper
183 Encouraged
183 Departures
184 Some private schools
185 Clear soup
187 Shares an opinion
189 Withered, dry
192 Spotted horse
194 The month for hosts
197 Spins around
198 Goes with eggs
199 Worshiped image
200 Squander
201 Implied
205 Hindu garment
204 Church advisor
208 Bags, mines
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DEATH ROW TRIVIA!

FRIED FELON: Eleven states still use the electric chair to eliminate prisoners.

By [illegible]

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Here are some fascinating facts about the thousands of convicts who are awaiting execution, according to Bonnie Bobit's electrifying new book, *Death Row* (Bobit Publishing Company, Torrance, Calif., $24.95).

There are 38 states that hang, gas, and fry [illegible] cons.

Of the more than 3,500 people on death row, 55 of them are women.

Less than 2 percent of all the criminals on death row are juveniles, and all of those are male.

● An ABC News report shows that the South accounts for nearly 80 percent of [illegible] executions, with Texas leading the way.

[illegible] George W. Bush [illegible] were executed.

● The number of executions scheduled [illegible] goes up during election season in November.

[illegible]

● The Supreme Court banned the death penalty between 1972 and 1976 due to [illegible] in the way the penalty was implemented.

[illegible]

HANGING AROUND: Since 1974 only three criminals have been hanged in the United States.

[illegible]

The book, *Death Row* tells of the many different methods of execution that have been employed over the centuries:

● **Burning at the stake:** [illegible]

● **The Wheel:** There were several different ways in which the wheel could be used. [illegible]

● **Guillotine:** The method of execution first became popular in France in [illegible] Dr. Joseph Guillotin suggested that a [illegible] machine [illegible] the most humane method of execution at that time.

The last official use of the guillotine was in 1977 in France.

● **Hanging:** Hanging was a popular way of both executing and [illegible] a person. For example, certain crimes like high treason — hanging alone was simply not punishment enough. So a prisoner would be carved into pieces while still alive before being hanged.

● **The Headsman's Axe:** This form of execution was quite popular in Germany and England during the 16th and 17th centuries. An executioner usually [illegible] chop off the person's head with an axe or a sword. The last beheading took place in 1747, and the axe used is on display in the Tower of London.

● **Other:** Today the most popular methods of execution are lethal injection, electrocution and lethal gas.

These methods are consid-

Blind couple adopts seven blind kids!

TOKYO — Loving parents Hiro and Aisha Fujimari are totally blind, but when it comes to seeing what's needed in this world, their vision is 20-20. Since 1988, the Fujimaris have opened their hearts and home to six foster children and an adult — every one of them blind!

ANN VICTORIA

Why you should NEVER buy sperm on the Internet!

TORONTO — A woman trying to get pregnant through artificial insemination started an Internet mailing list for men who want to become sperm donors and women seeking donors.

But the practice of finding a sperm donor through the Internet carries risks.

"It's essentially like having sex with somebody you don't know anything about," warns Ronald Vanthorn, a VD and HIV expert at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Five sperm banks, said Dobson in Canada, will ship to anyone but a doctor which is one of the reasons that Jacqueline Dobson, 31, of Peterborough, Ontario, started an Internet mailing list for women who prefer do-it-yourself insemination.

"We'd like to do it as safely as possible," says Dobson who had several home inseminations but has not gotten pregnant.

In the past six months, Dobson has heard from five women who've gotten pregnant using donors found on her mailing list.

Women want as much information as possible about donors to share with their children she says adding that "every single one of the women" who has used her Internet service "has met her donor."

What's more, says Dobson, "most of the women have done the insemination at his house."

Tony & Cleo's L-O-V-E L-I-N-K-S

Love Is a Letter Away!

BIN THERE, DONE THAT!

Rich stockbroker gives up high life to be a garbageman!

RICH BUT MISERABLE: Stockbroker Charles Van Houten made lots of money — but wasn't happy.

By BARRY DUTTER [illegible]

BALTIMORE — A year ago, Charles Van Houten earned $250,000 a year, drove a BMW and partied with his peers aboard luxury yachts.

Today the [illegible] of the streets of Baltimore [illegible] than [illegible] before.

But the [illegible] regrets.

"[illegible] and I was miserable," he said. "Becoming a trash [illegible] is the [illegible] thing I've ever done.

"I've been on the job for [illegible] months," Van Houten said. "The work took a little getting used to at first [illegible].

"For the first few weeks I was [illegible] had never done anything so physical [illegible].

"I'm on my feet all day and lifting [illegible] heavy bags of trash. It's quite a change from sitting in a [illegible] chair all day as a stockbroker."

Van Houten said he [illegible] the other garbagemen [illegible] a couple of days.

"Everyone was [illegible] when I [illegible] few weeks. They [illegible] I was [illegible] with [illegible] as [illegible] a little time in the [illegible] over the years."

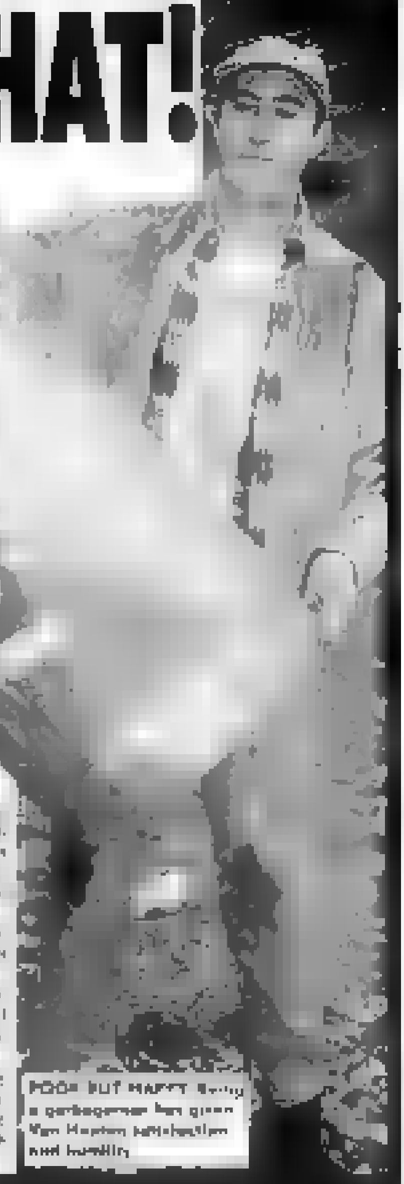
Van Houten won the respect of his co-workers in proving himself a hard worker who was not afraid to get his hands dirty.

He said he finds the work to be rewarding. "I never thought I would get any satisfaction out of being a garbageman [illegible]

"[illegible]

"The important thing is that I provide for my family. I don't care how I do it [illegible]."

Van Houten plans to return to the stock market [illegible] "But until then," he added, "[illegible]."



POOR BUT HAPPY: Being a garbageman has given Van Houten satisfaction and humility.

350-lb. mom arrested for sitting on daughter!

BERLIN — Police have arrested a 350-lb. woman of trying to suffocate her 12-year-old daughter by lying on top of her.

The woman has been charged with attempted murder and is undergoing hospital evaluation, reports the Berlin Gazette.

Police were called to the mother's apartment because water was leaking into a [illegible] downstairs.

They found the woman lying on top of her daughter when the landlord let them in because no one answered the door.

"She was lying on her, suffocating her," said police officer Gunther Hauptman.

Officials say the girl is in stable condition after being taken to the hospital.

Mother Nature's perfect food — peanuts!

BEIJING — The next time someone tells you that you're eating too many unhealthy snacks, just say "Nuts!" to them!

A new scientific study shows that peanuts and pecans can make people healthier when eaten in moderation.

Dr. Chang Loh, a food scientist, said, "People can feel less guilty when they're eating peanuts and pecans because [illegible]

[illegible] years that peanuts and pecans were high in Vitamin E and folic acid. Now the researchers have discovered that they are also high in plant sterols — fat-like substances that cause the body to absorb less harmful cholesterol.

[illegible] folic acid, which prevents birth defects when taken in proper doses by pregnant women.

Nuts also contain high levels of Vitamin E, which neutralizes compounds that damage living cells.

Peanut consumption declined during the early 1980s when nutritionists were recommending low-fat diets.

[illegible]

Fireman slides down firepole — & squashes stripper!

BARCELONA, Spain — A fireman sliding down a pole injured his girlfriend — a striptease dancer — when he landed smack on top of her.

"She was on the first floor practicing her [illegible] on the pole when he slid down from the second floor," said a paramedic.

The woman, 22, suffered a bruised shoulder. She had stopped by the firehouse after her club gig to say hello to her [illegible]

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"I can't get a date because I look like Ted Bundy!"

HE'S NOT A MONSTER! Computer-aided pic of Ted Bundy and look-alike Jerry Tetreault

By MIKE FOSTER

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Jerry Tetreault is tall, handsome and has a great job, but he can't get a date — because he's a dead ringer for serial killer Ted Bundy!

"I'll be talking to a girl and at first she'll seem interested, but sooner or later she notices the resemblance and it gives her the heebie-jeebies," says mild-mannered Jerry, a 28-year-old computer programmer.

"Then it make up excuses, and she'll be out of town that weekend or whatever and pretend to call me, but I'll never hear from her again."

Jerry thinks he may be the only relative in Florida who was executed in 1989. And in some ways he looks strikingly like the state's other notorious son, who confessed to killing 28 women in Utah, Washington, Colorado and Florida and is suspected of murdering up to 40.

"Everyone knows Ted as long dead ... and even if he were alive he'd be locked away in jail and not in his face," Jerry says. "I wouldn't be the real Ted Bundy, but that doesn't seem to help."

HE'S A MONSTER: Serial killer Ted Bundy

Sooner or later, Jerry says, he gets the heebie-jeebies from nail-biting murder fanatics at night and day. A regular churchgoer, he loves reading, never gets into arguments and rarely even [illegible]

Every girl I talk to gets the heebie-jeebies, says dead ringer for the serial killer!

TENNIS-BALL BOMB BLOWS DOG TO SMITHEREENS!

PORTLAND, Oreg. — An [illegible]

Man too lucky to die bites the dust at last!

MEDELLIN, Colombia — A man boasted he was too lucky to die after a series of narrow escapes from death — then was shot dead in a duel.

Alonzo Mercado, 34, survived a fatal airplane crash that killed four other passengers, a train wreck that claimed 67 lives and a terrifying plunge from the top of an eight-story building. Then he quarreled with a stranger in a bar and was plugged between the eyes after stepping outside to settle things with six-shooters.

Save the bears — with Viagra!

JUNEAU, Alaska — The effectiveness and easy availability

Al & George who? We want Hillary!

WASHINGTON — It's official! A staggering [illegible]

Gal who married computer in 1998 wants a divorce

By MIKE FOSTER

SAN DIEGO — Gwyneth Japesky thought she'd landed the ideal husband when she tied the knot with her home computer in an elaborate ceremony two years ago. But now the disappointed bride is splitting up with her mechanical mate — and she's filing a $5 million lawsuit against the software company that sponsored the wacky marriage!

UNHAPPILY EVER AFTER: Gwyneth Japesky is seeking a divorce and a big cash settlement!

DEMANDS $5 MILLION SETTLEMENT!

"I've been miserable," says Gwyneth, Jr. "I expected to have a companion with whom I could share the rest of my life — instead I ended up with a cold, heartless machine. I was sold a bill of goods by the computer company and I want them fully to blame."

The attractive brunette first hit the designer-suits headlines two years back when she announced that she was going to marry the PC she had purchased that after the computer in the film 2001.

"I thought that I spent all day working closely with Hal and it was a perfect partnership," she recalls. "I had never had that kind of special, rewarding relationship with a human being."

Through the Internet, Hal was able to whisk her away to fascinating foreign places and educate her on any subject she chose. He even handled all her personal finances, leaving Gwyneth free to do what she says, "something none of my flesh-and-blood boyfriends were ever able to do," she says.

And at night, Gwyneth found that by taking her on steam escapades with X-rated Internet chat rooms, Hal was even able to satisfy her most intimate needs.

"I decided that Hal was all the husband I'd ever need," she says. "I programmed him to propose to me and he sent me a message of congratulations with tears in my eyes, I said yes."

The bizarre $13,000 ceremony, which included an honeymoon and was attended by Gwyneth's parents, was held [illegible] PlasmaTech Inc., a firm that had supplied much of Hal's software.

"They encouraged me every step of the way," Gwyneth [illegible] "I even had a special wedding dress designed by a famous designer."

But [illegible] Gwyneth's parents [illegible] "Hal is a good provider and he really loves me."

But sadly newlywed Gwyneth soon found just a few months with the just-right-for-her husband.

"I found that a lot of the programs that worked well initially started responding slowly and sluggishly," Gwyneth complains. "I'd give Hal commands and he would just ignore me.

"I would find myself screaming at Hal, even hitting him — and he'd respond by spending altogether. That kind of passive-aggressive behavior could put intimate on even [illegible]

"That relationship got colder and colder. Finally I decided enough is enough."

She charges that the company exploited her pre-marriage jitters by "taking a lot of liberties" to publicly humiliate a customer.

She also says it made misleading claims about Hal's artificial intelligence software that caused her to think of him as more of a person than he is.

A lawyer for San Diego-based PlasmaTech denied any responsibility for the short, turbulent marriage and branded the case a "specious lawsuit filed by a shameless publicity hound."

Italian gals love Indian feathers — and how!

BONE — Italian women have dipped their wigs for Geronimo — they're parading in untold numbers wearing American Indian headdresses.

Says one boutique owner: "It's the new fashion craze here. I ordered a [illegible]

Preacher's fresh as a daisy — 63 years after he died!

LACKAWANNA, N.Y. — Churchmen opening the casket of the Rev. Malcom H. Baker found his body unaffected by decay and fresh as a daisy — after 63 years in the ground.

"Amazing — the perfect condition of that body," said a medical expert who examined the remains.

Rev. Baker devoted his life to helping orphans, delinquents, unwed mothers and the poor.

In 1967 Pope John Paul II took the first step in declar-

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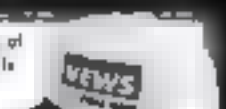

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AMAZING WOMAN JUST HALF A BODY . . .

CATCH! Paper Rosemarie enjoys an active lifestyle.

By DENNIS D'ANTONIO / Weekly World News

PUEBLO, Colo. — Rosemarie Higgins has only half a body — but she lives a full life.

"Rosemarie has a heart so big it more than makes up for all that's missing," declares her husband David, 31. "In my heart she's a giant."

Rosemarie, 28, was born with rare sacral agenesis — a missing lower spine and pelvic region. Doctors amputated the lower half of her body when she was a child.

Yet, incredibly, by the time she was 12 she was running the family home, and cooking and cleaning for her near-to-blind mother, retarded younger brother and her father.

Handsome David Higgins, who's almost 6 feet tall, and Rosemarie — 3 feet 5 inches — fell in love three years ago after meeting at an auto parts store he managed.

"David is my real-life Prince Charming," says Rosemarie.

The couple married. Rosemarie walked on her hands down the aisle. Before the wedding she joked, "Darling — I've got no legs,

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HAS . . . but she lives a full life!

HERE COMES THE BRIDE! Before the wedding, Rosemarie told David, "I've got no legs, so don't worry about me getting cold feet."

about me getting cold feet."

Rosemarie even gave birth to a miracle baby, a boy, Luke, now 3 years old.

She usually gets around on a skateboard and says, "Ever since I was a little girl I've always known that somehow one day a world-class man would come along, accept me and love me for what I am -- and we'd get married.

"I've become a mother and wife, and I have to pinch myself to make sure this isn't a dream."

MIRACLE BABY! Rosemarie shocked doctors when she gave birth to a healthy baby boy.

HOT OFF THE WACKY WIRE!

New 'Super Pea' won't roll off your fork!

LONDON — International food companies want to sell peas big enough to spear with a fork — and they've put genetic scientists to work on developing a super pea.

"Chasing peas around a plate is too much hassle," says Richard Strube, a spokesman for food giant Unilever. He says less and less people are eating peas because they've grown accustomed over the years to no-hassle "finger foods" offered by fast-food companies.

"We are in danger of creating an entire generation which considers the garden pea a nuisance."

Tightrope walker falls off curb and dies!

STUTTGART, Germany — Famed daredevil Dieter Gilsdorf accidentally slipped off the John Hancock building in Chicago and suffered a tightrope accident that left lovers of the World Trade Center — who fell off a curb here and died.

The Guinness-record holder was hit by a car while jogging when he stumbled over the curb at a busy intersection, he was 59.

"He fell face first into the street against the light and got run over," police said.

They quoted witnesses as saying that Gilsdorf was so shocked by what he approached the busy intersection running with his head down, and stumbled over the curb.

Police dog tracks down Cinderella bandit!

TOKYO — A police dog tracked down a thief Cinderella style — sniffing him out using the scent of a shoe he lost at the crime scene.

The man stole panties from a woman's house. The German shepherd tracked him to a neighboring house where he confessed after being found with the lingerie.

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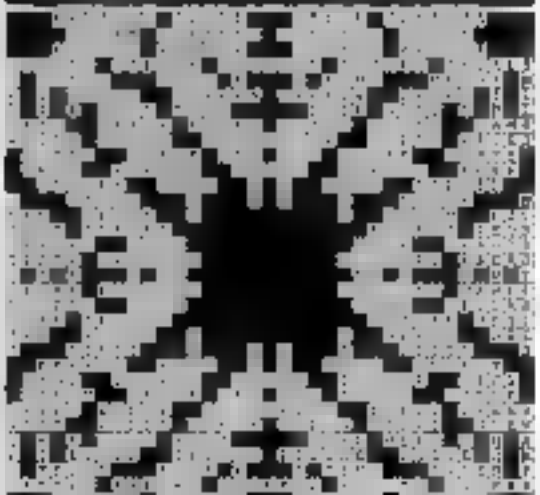

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Grieving man croaks on his parents' grave!

ELYRIA, Ohio — Blame sorrow in the death of Dipsiyo Demetral, 49, who collapsed and died on his parents' side-by-side graves.

Shortly last month the cemetery lot date is a new his family reported.

A coroner attributed the death to grief — solidified by the cemetery visits — and prevailing medical [illegible]

Geezer tows crippled wife behind his car!

RATHERSBURG, Germany — Cops stopped a geezer in, leaving his wife in her wheelchair behind his car.

The old man said next he was driving slow, so what's wrong?

The wife's shocking ordeal began when her husband decided to [illegible]

MAKE 2001 YOUR

By BARRY OUTTER

BOCA RATON, Fla. — You can make 2001 your happiest year ever, just by following these simple tips from top psychologists!

It's easy with our expert tips!

DEVELOP YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR

[illegible] brighten your outlook on [illegible]

GOSSIP IS GOOD

[illegible]

Some say gossip is a helpful [illegible] Dell can cause people to change their behavior that is [illegible]

EXPRESS YOUR CREATIVITY

[illegible] poetry, creative writing or what [illegible]

GET YOUR LOVE LIFE ON TRACK

[illegible] problem in your relationship is [illegible] suggestions are the husband-and-wife team of Dr. Wayne Sotile and Dr. Mary Sotile.

One of the main things all the experts suggest is setting realistic goals.

Many people make the mistake of seeking to have perfect or unattainable items. But you can't expect your mate to possess all of the traits that you don't have.

Some people are [illegible] with being in relationships. We have to realize there are some things that are beyond your control [illegible] which it makes us [illegible] other people's problems.

Don't be too critical of your lover. It can be a positive thing to suggest changes that [illegible] can make in their behavior or lifestyle, but keep yourself open for criticism, as well. You'll be prepared to [illegible]

BE A GOOD LISTENER

[illegible] be too competitive with your lover. A relationship is not a challenge to see who can do more. Ideally both partners should be equal.

Treat all your partner's requests. If you and your lover are both hard working [illegible] you can benefit from each other's positive energy. Learn how to work together and draw inspiration from [illegible] each other.

Together you can accomplish feats that neither one of you could do alone.

Don't take your frustra

HAPPIEST YEAR EVER!

JUMPING FOR JOY! You can be head over heels with happiness in 2001 just like this screech group!

I'M YOUR WINNER!
Now to Page 3 for contest rules

- Listen better!
- Laugh a lot!
- Gossip about your friends!

You should be supportive of each other.

Remember that arguments are inevitable, even among the happiest couples. Every relationship will have its ups and downs. The important thing is to learn how to communicate so you can work through the tough times and keep your relationship thriving.

Don't become so focused on yourself that you neglect others. Think about your partner's needs. The harder you work to please your partner, the better you will feel about yourself.

PRACTICE

in your ... the best things here you will experience.

As we grow older we sometimes forget to take time to have fun.

Don't focus so much on your career that you neglect the things that are important to you like your family and your friends.

Don't become so consumed by having a stressful life. You need to work on lowering the amount of stress you encounter, instead of just accepting it as a part of your everyday life.

Slow down.

You'll be amazed at how

POPPING THE MYTHS ABOUT ZITS!

MIAMI — If you think eating too much ...

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WHERE HAS ALL OUR

Hollywood hunks and

By DENNIS D'ANTONIO/Weekly World News

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Some flaunt it. Some hide it. Some say it's beautiful. Others call it ugly. It's baldness!

And there's no shortage of it, even among the biggest stars of TV and the silver screen. Among the men, there are genuine chrome-domes like Burt Reynolds and Patrick Stewart — and the merely balding like John Travolta and Charlie Sheen.

And let's not forget the ladies. Some of the most glamorous gal celebrities — Whitney Houston, Dolly Parton and Princess Caroline of Monaco among them — have lived their worst nightmare and lost all or some of their hair.

Bald is beautiful, says NYPD Blue cop Detective Frank, who wears his shiny pate like a badge of honor.

"Bald guys are lovable and sexy," Detective de Vienna.

Star Trek skipper Patrick Stewart re vealed, "I went bald within six months. I can't

LOSIN' IT! Burt Reynolds' star vehicle Hardcase — showing a lot more scalp than people have these days.

OUCH! Sissy Spacek's shedding her hair, possibly because she has physicians' fear scalp to the front, as count says.

CUE BALL! Burt Reynolds was perfect in the role of a shady bald operator in the 1995 movie Striptease.

bought to tell you how devastating it was for a 19-year-old."

But now at age 60 he's proud of his tanned crown.

"It has become my most valuable physical feature," he said.

Not so for hunk John Travolta who protects — especially on screen — his hide his bald spot. He recalls being teased by his co-stars while they were filming the comedy *Get Shorty*.

"When Gene Hackman saw me on the set before I'd had anything done, he grimaced and said 'Boy, makeup and hair do wonders for you.'

John admits, "I don't do cosmetics in private life, but I do have someone color my bald spot."

TV fans of the old hit series *Cheers* will remember Woody Harrelson and Ted Danson harmoning it up behind the bar — sporting what looked like complete heads of hair.

But in real life they're both bald or the split a hair balding. So is Charlie Sheen, new star of Spin City, and his brother Emilio Estevez.

HAIR GONE?

WIGGED OUT! Dolly Parton wears hair extensions to conceal her thinning tresses, a Hollywood hairdresser says.

babes are going bald!

Burt Reynolds hid his bald pate for years under a carpet that finally "came out" when he modeled me as nature done as a Texas senator in Demi Moore's movie Striptease.

TV viewers nationwide who get the news from anchorman Dan Rather never get to see his [illegible] — otherwise they'd find it impossible to spy his bald spot.

Former Hill Street Blues star Michael Warren is hardly recognizable without his wig in the new TV series City of Angels.

When he rose to stardom playing cops and robbers he had a full head of hair but it wasn't his own.

After Hill Street, Warren went with the bald on top look on the sides look. Then he shaved his head altogether.

Female stars pay a heavy price for their glamour — with too much teasing, dyeing, curling, bleaching, peeling, blow-drying, braiding and spraying taking a heavy toll on their lovely locks.

A close-up of veteran TV bigwig Mary Tyler Moore shows she could do with a dab or two of Rogaine.

Whether flaunting fake ponytails, wigs and hatching, tattoos and hats to cover the bald spots that have left even her best friends [illegible].

Dolly Parton, [illegible] once had a lush head of hair — but now she makes a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]!

[illegible] Hollywood hairdresser.

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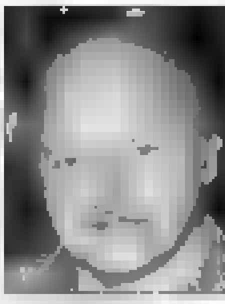
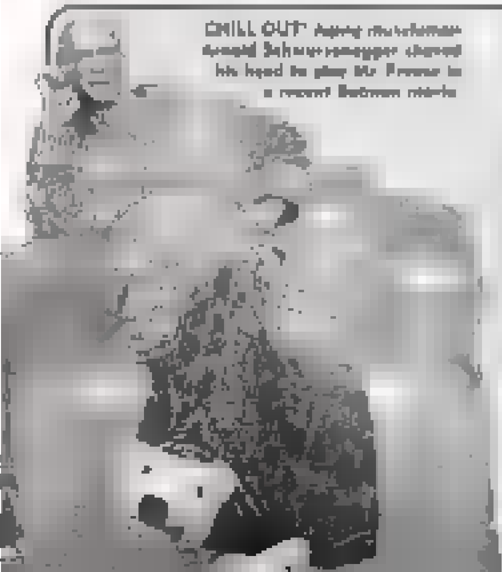


ARRESTING: TV cop Dennis Franz sees bald folks are beautiful.

GOING, GOING: Ted Danson's thinning more and more like Kojak.

Some stars HAVE to shave their heads!



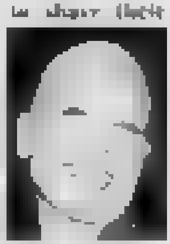
CHILL OUT: Aging musclemen Arnold Schwarzenegger shaved his head to play Mr. Freeze in a recent Batman movie.

The make-believe of show business — and the grim realities of true life — sometimes require stars to shave their heads.

Even while facing the worst crisis of her life, brave Liz Taylor set an example for others — by allowing Life magazine to photograph her totally bald and stitched head following brain surgery.

"I wanted to encourage others who have to deal with life-threatening surgery or illnesses," Liz said in 1997.

Judith Light, who starred in TV's Who's the Boss? shaved her head for a heavy role as a cancer patient in the off-Broadway play, Wit.



SHINING STAR: Judith Light went bald to play a cancer patient.

Eddie Murphy submitted to a close shave when he played a bald guru in his film Holy Man.

Demi Moore not only shaved her head for

COURAGE TO BURN! Liz Taylor's hair grew back over as thick after her much-publicized brain surgery.

head for his role as an alien Newcomer in the Fox movie, ALIEN NATION: The Enemy Within. Even hairless, Joe looks the part of a he man.

Arnold Schwarzenegger got paid a cool $25 million for playing Mr. Freeze

SLICK AS A SEAL: Demi Moore shaved her head

THE STARS UNTRESSED!

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GOOD GRIEF! Princess Caroline of Monaco lost most of her hair from stress while mourning the tragic death of her husband

HEADS UP! John Travolta dresses with hats to cover his hairline

THINK THRICE! Many Tyler Moore's locks are starting to do a vanishing act

COVER-UP! Whitney Houston wears $3,000 wigs to conceal her bald spots, friends say

HAIR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW!

Cher

Madonna

Linda Evans

Michael Jackson

HAIR RESTRICTION! Former Angel

SECRET GOVT. PLOT TO BAN HOME-SCHOOLING!

By MIKE FOSTER Weekly World News

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Federal officials within the U.S. Department of Education are engaged in a widespread conspiracy to ban home-schooling, an advocacy group charges.

The bureaucrats are worried that unless children are in schoolrooms and under their control, they won't be able to drum "acceptable" ideas into the kids' heads, according to the activists.

"Do not be mistaken: Indoctrination is a central purpose of public schools," says Mrs. Elaine Chestnut, chairman of American Parents in Support of Home-Schooling, based in Colorado Springs.

"Officials are afraid if children are taught by their own parents, they will fail to absorb values the federal government has been pushing for decades, such as multiculturalism. We might produce a generation of free-thinking individualists who question government authority.

"That's why the cabal of bureaucrats fiercely committed to a strong central government is secretly working to destroy home-schooling."

Home-schooling, allowed in some form in every state, has been an American tradition since colonial times, especially in rural areas. With many parents concerned about violence in schools and upset about the teaching of controversial subjects such as sex education and acceptance of gays, millions of Americans are returning to the old practice.

"It's becoming more popular than ever — that's why the government is so concerned and worried," says Mrs. Chestnut. Because of the immense popularity of home-schooling among parents nationwide, bureaucrats who detest the concept have been forced to use backdoor methods to undermine it.

Among the steps, Mrs. Chestnut says, has been an increase in paperwork parents must complete to be allowed to teach their children themselves. In some states, it's become so complicated and hard to follow that some moms and dads give up in frustration and forget the whole thing.

Officials also want to stiffen the requirements for teaching at home.

"Soon, unless you're a Harvard Ph.D. with access to a world-class library — or 'approved books — you will never be allowed to teach your own children at home," the activist said.

Sneaky officials have also been launching "studies" to find out how well home-schooling works.

The bureaucrats' goal, Mrs. Chestnut charges, is to use such investigations to dig up a few shreddable cases across the country in which home-schooling has failed — and use the results as ammunition.

"They'll try to find a few households where home-schooled kids can't read, and they'll use that as an excuse to push for laws banning it entirely," says Mrs. Chestnut.

Once home-schooling is outlawed, severe legal steps will be taken to enforce the ban, he predicts.

"Just as the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms hunts down guns in the hands of citizens, federal agents from the Department of Education will be authorized to raid homes, seize 'unauthorized' books and teaching materials, drug children away and fine their parents."

HOME-SCHOOLING ADVOCATE Elaine Chestnut.

MOM'S THE TEACHER: Home-schooled kids get more attention.

For women only! Beat holiday stress the EZ way!

BOCA RATON, Fla. — The holiday season is in full swing, and top psychologists say that this festive time leaves many women feeling about as stressed out as the Grinch who stole Christmas.

By CONNIE CLAYTON
Weekly World News

Women — much more so than men — get all worn out by fighting off crowds of crazed shoppers at the mall, racing from one party to another, and dealing with the hassle of returning gifts that they become overwhelmed.

But don't worry — there is still some hope for a happy holiday season.

Here are a few tips to help you make it past New Year's Day with as little stress in your life as possible.

● **Remember that you** can't do it all. Don't let it get to you if you can't make every party, bake every cookie or buy every present. Be realistic about what you can accomplish, and don't feel guilty if you can't do it all.

● **Treat yourself.** Dr. Robert L. Myers, professor of clinical psychology at Widener University in Chester, Penn., said that since women are so busy trying to please others during the holidays, they forget to take a few minutes for themselves.

● **Find ways to relieve stress.** Try writing your thoughts down in a journal, going for a walk or catching up with a childhood friend via e-mail. Another great way to relieve stress is to laugh. Even if you don't have time to get to the 200, simple chores like carrying packages through the mall or shoveling snow from your driveway can be effective stress-busters.

● **Laugh your head off.** According to Mark Gorkin, a Washington, D.C., licensed clinical social worker who specializes in stress management, "Laughter releases endorphins, which are the body's natural painkillers and mood relievers." Gorkin's studies have shown that nothing relieves people and relieves stress more than a big belly laugh.

● **Get your heart beating! Exercise** — at least 30 minutes of activity several times a week — is a proven stress buster. Even if you don't have time to get to the gym, simple chores like carrying packages through the mall or shoveling snow from your driveway can be effective stress-busters.

● **Ask for help.** Instead of trying to do everything yourself, call on friends and loved ones to give you a hand. And don't feel bad about turning down a party invitation or two. You can't be everywhere at once.

● **Talk your troubles away.** One of the best ways for women to relieve stress is to chat about their problems. Talk to your close friends, let them know what's bothering you. You'll feel better if you do. You aren't going to be able to get rid of your problems if you're getting too much to bear just stay everything close your eyes and breathe deeply through your nose. Place both hands on your upper chest, and feel each breath as it enters and leaves your body. After a few seconds of relaxation, the tension will fade.

Let us know what you think!

☐ **Yes: I think parents should be allowed to school their children at home.**

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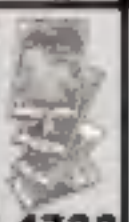

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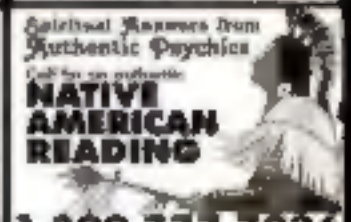

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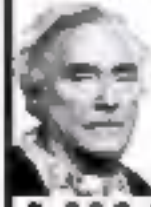

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For the week of January 1

ARIES

Mar 21 — Apr 19

An exciting opportunity may be coming your way in the week ahead. Be prepared to act fast. Get advice if necessary, but don't waste any time or you might miss the boat.

Steer clear of neighborhood disputes as minor disagreements may mushroom into major troubles. Relax contacts with loved ones. Someone close needs your advice.

TAURUS

Apr 20 — May 20

All signs indicate that your luck is likely to improve dramatically in the coming week. Take advantage of your good fortune by taking some chances, especially with career plans.

Your Taurus qualities of patience and understanding could be important factors in settling a troubling disagreement.

Keep your eye on personal goals and don't let others distract you.

GEMINI

May 21 — June 20

Your capacity for unwavering determination in achieving a goal may be your salvation in the week ahead as new challenges come your way. Don't let frustration step you.

Your nervous side may have you seeking solitude right now. But there are others in your life who need your support and advice. Make an effort to reach out a helping hand to them.

CANCER

June 21 — July 22

Make a determined effort this week not to become lost in a sea of emotions. Call on your psychic qualities to point the way to calmer waters and help you deal with confusing issues.

Like all Cancerians, you give your love and devotion with no strings attached. Your compassion will pay off if things go against you, because you have many grateful friends.

LEO

July 23 — Aug 22

Leos naturally forge ahead when others falter in fear of the unknown. Use your boldness to help more timid friends accomplish their goals. Their happiness will be your reward.

Stars highlight romance this week for the passionate Leo. Married or single, you stand a good chance of getting some extra loving. Take time out from your social schedule to get some exercise.

VIRGO

Aug 23 — Sept 22

Your confident attitude carries the day this week when others freeze in confusion in the face of a dilemma. Ignore those who ridicule your Virgo tendency to be picky and to look for perfection. There's no shame in doing things right or as well as they can be done. Those who make fun may be jealous.

A casual meeting with a stranger could lead to a relationship.

LIBRA

Sept 23 — Oct 23

Like most Librans, you sometimes forget to look before you leap. This week, be especially careful to plan your moves.

Don't do anything on the spur of the moment if you can help it.

A friend may suffer tragedy in the next few days. Because people look up to you, you may well be offering strength and support.

SCORPIO

Oct 24 — Nov 21

Your Scorpio loyalty may involve you in big problems in the next few days. Use common sense to avoid a bad situation.

Don't waste a possible opportunity for financial gain this week. Get advice from experts.

Quit procrastinating and get to work on projects you've been putting off. Otherwise you'll face a growing number of problems.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 22 — Dec 21

Indulge your Sagittarian love of travel by planning a trip or outing. And remember to bring along a book — this is a good week for undertaking some sort of intellectual project.

A companion may come down with an illness or minor injury but this person will recover shortly. Forget romance for this week. Your planets say you may encounter trouble with loved ones.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22 — Jan 19

Your Capricorn shrewdness may lead you to a financial windfall in the coming week. Be on the lookout for opportunities.

The planets indicate a period of happiness and well-being with regard to family matters. For most Capricorns, this is a period of robust health and lots of energy. Singles should avoid jumping into a new romance.

AQUARIUS

Jan 20 — Feb 18

Take advantage of your natural Aquarian imagination and do something creative this week. It's time you tested your abilities and showed folks what you can do.

Make an effort to strengthen ties with friends and neighbors who haven't been in touch lately. But be careful you don't get too involved in an argument between friends or family members.

PISCES

Feb 19 — Mar 20

An unusual opportunity may open a door to an exciting new future. Don't be afraid to take a chance to make progress toward goals.

New problems may test your objectivity this week. Keep a positive attitude.

Old disputes may result in a new crisis. Be sure you hear both sides of the story before coming to any important decisions.

If your birthday is this week . . .

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GEMINI May 21 — June 21	19, 25, 31, 34, 40, [illegible]
CANCER June 21 — July 22	2, 12, 14, 17, 19, [illegible]
LEO July 23 — Aug 22	12, 16, 20, 32, 33, [illegible]
VIRGO Aug 23 — Sept 22	4, 14, 25, 29, 33, [illegible]
LIBRA Sept 23 — Oct 23	7, 10, 20, 23, 27, [illegible]
SCORPIO Oct 24 — Nov 21	1, 13, 24, 29, 33, [illegible]
SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 — Dec 21	3, 18, 31, 35, 36, [illegible]
CAPRICORN Dec 22 — Jan 19	10, 17, 24, 33, 35, [illegible]
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